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## THE MUNSON FAMILY OF COUNTY SUFFOLK, ENGLAND, AND NEW HAVEN, CONN.

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The first extant record of Thomas Munson in America is his appearance at Hartford in 1637, but three years later he established his permanent home at New Haven, where he became a freeman, June 11, 1640. Thereafter, for nearly half a century, he was closely identified with the best interests of that community. He held the important military and civil offices of sergeant of the "Trayned Band," 1642; sergeant of the Artillery Company, 1645; townsman (selectman), 1651, 1668, 1675, 1681, 1682, 1683; Ensign, 1661; Judge, 1662; Deputy to the General Court from 1662 through 1679, and again in 1681, 1682; Lieutenant, 1664; Town Treasurer, 1669; Member of the War Council, 1673; and Captain, 1676.<sup>1</sup> He was a veteran of the Pequot War (1637) and of King Philip's War (1675-1676). He was one of the ablest leaders of his time, yet, despite all of his accomplishments and honors, his tombstone bears only the simple and unembellished inscription:<sup>2</sup>

THOMAS MVNISON  
AGED: 73: DECEASED  
THE 7<sup>th</sup>: OF 3<sup>d</sup>: m:  
j685

The question of Captain Munson's English antecedents has been investigated for many years. It is a matter of interest that

<sup>1</sup> Myron A. Munson, M.A., *The Munson Record, A Genealogical and Biographical Account of Captain Thomas Munson (A Pioneer of Hartford and New Haven) and His Descendants* (1896), I, 1-60; Donald Lines Jacobus, M.A., *List of Officials, Civil, Military, and Ecclesiastical, of Connecticut Colony from March 1636 through 11 October 1677 and of New Haven Colony Throughout Its Separate Existence* (1935), 38-39.

<sup>2</sup> Munson, *supra*, I, 58.

William John, 6th Lord Monson of Burton,<sup>3</sup> a distinguished British antiquarian whose valuable *Lincolnshire Church Notes* were edited by his grandson the ninth Baron and published in 1936 by the Lincoln Record Society, collected many data relating to his ancestry, and endeavored, howbeit unsuccessfully, to trace a connection between his noble family and the Munsons of America.<sup>4</sup> In 1903 Mr. J. G. Bartlett, of Boston, wrote that: "It has been known for some time that the Kimball and Scott Families of Ipswich, Mass., came from Rattlesden, Co. Suffolk, England, and an examination of its recently printed parish registers shows that other early settlers of New England certainly lived formerly in this little Suffolk village."<sup>5</sup>

The name occurs early in Suffolk. The will of Johanna Mundsen, of Kertelyng, which was made on March 6, 1471, was probated May 14, 1472.<sup>6</sup> In 1524 the following members of the family are recorded as paying the subsidy tax:

William and John Munson, of Longmelford, Babergh Hundred.<sup>7</sup>

William Munson, of Longmelford, Babergh Hundred.<sup>8</sup>

John Monson, of Byldeston, Cosford Hundred.<sup>9</sup>

Robert Monson, servant of Christopher S—yngsby, of Dalham, Risbridge Hundred.<sup>10</sup>

Richard Monson, of Owesden, Risbridge Hundred.<sup>11</sup>

In 27 Hen. VIII (1536) R. Monson<sup>12</sup> was an archer of Westowe (Weston ?), in Blackborne Hundred.<sup>13</sup> In 1568 Thomas Monson of Eriswell, in Lackford Hundred, was the only bearer of the

<sup>3</sup> His ancestor, John Monson, descended from a prominent Lincolnshire family known since the 14th century, was created in 1728 Baron Monson of Burton, co. Lincoln. The present Peer is Sir Augustus Debonnaire John Monson, 9th Baron Monson of Burton, and a Baronet. There was an earlier title: in 1628 William Monson, son of Admiral Sir William Monson, of Kinnersley, in Harley, co. Surrey, was created Baron Monson of Bellinguard, co. Limerick, and Viscount Monson of Castlemaine, co. Kerry, Ireland. This Lord Monson was one of the Regicides, and was imprisoned and degraded from his dignities after the Restoration. (See G. E. C., *The Complete Peerage*, Revised Edition, IX, 1936, 67-69, 69-70.)

<sup>4</sup> Letter of the 7th Baron Monson to Mr. M. A. Munson, *The Munson Record*, I, xxiv-xxv. The 6th Baron's fourth son, Sir Edmund John Monson, 1st Baronet, at various times British Minister to Argentina and Paraguay, Denmark, Greece, and Belgium, and Ambassador to Austria and France, wrote to Mr. Munson, July 24, 1886: "When I was appointed Attaché to the British Legation at Washington in 1838, my Father, Lord Monson . . . was very anxious to know the subsequent career of that branch of the Monsons which had emigrated to America in the Seventeenth Century." (Munson, *op. cit.*, xxiv.)

<sup>5</sup> *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*, July, 1903, 331-332.

<sup>6</sup> Vincent B. Redstone, editor, *Calendar of Pre-Reformation Wills, Testaments, Probates, Administrations, Registered at the Probate Office, Bury St. Edmunds* (bound with the *Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and Natural History*, XII, 1906), 99.

<sup>7</sup> *Suffolk in 1524. Being the Return for a Subsidy Granted in 1523*. (Suffolk Green Books, X, 1910), 524.

<sup>8</sup> *Ibid.*, 30.

<sup>9</sup> *Ibid.*, 158.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*, 281.

<sup>11</sup> *Ibid.*, 290.

<sup>12</sup> Edgar Powell, "Muster Rolls of the Territorials in Tudor Times," *Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and Natural History*, XV (1915), 132.

<sup>13</sup> The Index to the *Proceedings Suff. Inst. Arch. & Nat. Hist.*, XV, gives his name as Robert.



name listed as paying a subsidy tax.<sup>14</sup> In 1639-40 William Munson, of Lakenhithe (Lakenheath), Lackford Hundred, was entered as having paid a ship money tax.<sup>15</sup> In 1674 nine members of the family paid the Hearth Tax imposed in that year, namely:

- John Monson, of Belton, Lothingland Hundred.<sup>16</sup>
- Law. Munson, of Brandon, Lackford Hundred.<sup>17</sup>
- John Mounson, of Burgh Castle, Lothingland Hundred.<sup>18</sup>
- Lady Munson, of Bury St. Edmunds (St. Maries Parish).<sup>19</sup>
- John Monson, of Capell (St. Mary), Samford Hundred.<sup>20</sup>
- John Munson, of Mildenhall, Lackford Hundred.<sup>21</sup>
- Wm. Munson and John Munson, of Wangford (Wayneford), Lackford Hundred.<sup>22</sup>
- Thomas Munson, of Mildenhall, Lackford Hundred.<sup>23</sup>

When we direct our attention to Rattlesden, in Thedwastre Hundred,<sup>24</sup> we find that the Munson family suggested by Mr. Bartlett as the parent stock of the New Haven line lived in that small village for at least eighty years, from 1570 to 1650. There is a strong probability—although it is not yet a proved fact—that the Thomas Munson, recorded as having been there baptized on September 13, 1612, was the same man of that name who so distinguished himself in the public affairs of colonial New Haven. The parish registers, as published,<sup>25</sup> have been examined from

<sup>14</sup> *Suffolk in 1568. Being the Return for a Subsidy Granted in 1566.* (Suffolk Green Books, XII, 1909), 173.

<sup>15</sup> Vincent B. Redstone, editor, *The Ship-Money Return for the County of Suffolk, 1639-40* (published by The Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and Natural History), 38.

<sup>16</sup> *Suffolk in 1674. Being the Hearth Tax Returns.* (Suffolk Green Books, XI, 1905), 23.

<sup>17</sup> *Ibid.*, 41.

<sup>18</sup> *Ibid.*, 51.

<sup>19</sup> *Ibid.*, 59.

<sup>20</sup> *Ibid.*, 66.

<sup>21</sup> *Ibid.*, 210.

<sup>22</sup> *Ibid.*, 297.

<sup>23</sup> *Ibid.*, 212.

<sup>24</sup> *Barbergh Hundred*, in the southern part of the shire, is bounded on the north by Thingoe and Thedwastre Hundreds, east by Cosford and Samford Hundreds, southwest by the shire of Essex, and west by Risbridge Hundred. *Cosford Hundred*, in south-central Suffolk, is bounded north by Thedwastre and Stow Hundreds, east by Bosmere & Claydon Hundred, south and southeast by Samford, and west by Barbergh. *Risbridge Hundred*, on the shire's extreme west border, is bounded north by Lackford, east by Thingoe, southeast by Barbergh, and west by Exning Hundred and Cambridgeshire. *Blackborne Hundred*, towards the northwest, is bordered on the north by county Norfolk, on the west by Lackford Hundred, south by Thedwastre and Stow Hundreds, and east by Hartsmere. *Lackford Hundred*, in the extreme northwestern corner, is bounded north by Norfolk, west by Cambridgeshire, south by Risbridge Hundred, southeast by Thingoe, and east by Blackborne. *Lothingland Hundred*, in the extreme northeastern corner, is bounded north and west by Norfolk, south by Milford Hundred, and east by the North Sea. *Samford Hundred*, in the far south, is bounded on the north by Bosmere & Claydon Hundred, east by the river Orwell, northeast by Ipswich Hundred, south by Essex, northwest by Cosford, and west by Barbergh. This brief territorial description of the political divisions called hundreds will give some idea of the geographical distribution of the Munsons in Suffolk.

<sup>25</sup> Rev. J. R. Olorenshaw, B.A., Assistant Curate of Rattlesden, *Notes on the History of the Church and Parish of Rattlesden, in the County of Suffolk. Together with Copy of the Parish Registers from 1558 to 1768.* (1902).

1558, when they commence, through the year 1700, but no Munson entries are found after 1650, when John Munson, presumably the father of Capt. Munson, died. The Munson records are here reproduced as affording clues for future researches regarding the possible English antecedents of the New Haven family.

- 1570: 15 October Richarde Munson and Margerye Barnes were married  
 1571: 14 October John Munson the sonne of Richard Munson was Baptised  
 1573: 13 December Anne Monson daughter of Richard Monson baptised  
 1575: 15 September Anne Munson was buried  
 1576: 15 Julye Thomas Munson sonne of Richard Munson baptised  
 1590: 3 December Richarde Munson was Buried  
 1595: 2 November Elizabeth Munson the dawghte of John baptised  
 1598: 10 December John Munson the sonne of John Munson baptised  
 1601: 14 November ffraunces Munson the dauther of John and Elizabeth baptised  
 1603/4: 22 Januarye Suzan Munson the dauther of John and Elizabeth baptised  
 1606: 26 of October Judeth Munson ye daughter of John and Elisabeth his wife . . . . . Baptised  
 1609: 26 of the same (May) Mary Munsonn ye daughter of John and Elizabeth his wife . . . . . Baptised  
 1612: 13 of September Thomas Munson ye sone of John and his wife . . . baptised  
 1615: 16 of ye same (April) John Munson ye sone of John and his wife . . . . . Buried  
 1622/3: Febr 7 Margery Munson Widdow was . . . . . Buried  
 1624: Novebr. 26 William Lynch and Francis Munson were . . . Married  
 1629: August 20 Francis Linch a childe was . . . . . Buried  
 1634/5: January 3 Elizabeth Munson was . . . . . Buried  
 1638: Octobr 18 Judith Munson was . . . . . Buried  
 1648: June 20 Mary Munson, a poore Maide, and poor in spirit, but rich in grace, was . . . . . Buried  
 1650: Novembr 26 John Munson a gracious old Man was . . . . Buried

From the above it is evident that Thomas Munson, whom we may tentatively identify with the New Haven settler, was baptized at Rattlesden, co. Suffolk, September 13, 1612, as the son of John Munson (baptized October 14, 1571, buried November 26, 1650), and his wife Elizabeth — (buried January 3, 1634/5); and grandson of Richard Munson, who was buried at Rattlesden December 3, 1590, and his wife Margery Barnes, buried there February 7, 1622/3. In 1581 Richard Monson, as his name was spelled in the list of parish officers,<sup>26</sup> served as a questman, i.e. a churchwarden's assistant.

There can be little, if any, doubt that Margery Barnes, the wife of Richard Munson, was the daughter of George and Margery Barnes, of Rattlesden. In 1575 George Barnes was a parish surveyor, and in 1576 he served as a Collector, a term which

<sup>26</sup> *Ibid.*, 43.

later became Overseer, *i.e.*, one who "collects" voluntary alms for the poor.<sup>27</sup> It is not known how many children George and Margery had, inasmuch as the registers do not commence until 1558, when Margery (Barnes) Munson was a child. The registers show that the two youngest children of George and Margery were Dina, baptized February 17, 1560/1, and Ambrose, baptized December 12, 1562, buried February 25, 1563/4. The entry for June 7, 1564, reads: "Margerye Barnes the wife of George Buried." Apparently the bereaved husband was not inconsolable, for we learn that on January 11, 1564/5, "George Barnes and Agnes Habar was married," although it is possible that this record refers to a son, George, Jr. Their children were: An infant, buried December 11, 1565; Susan, baptized July 1, 1567, buried July 3, 1587; George, baptized February 15, 1572/3; and Agnes, baptized September 3, 1575. On May 25, 1582, George Barnes, the father, was buried.

In this connection it should be pointed out that among the early settlers of New Haven was Thomas Barnes, who died at Middletown on June 10, 1691.<sup>28</sup> It is possible that he was a member of the Rattlesden family, and that he emigrated to America with his presumed cousin, Capt. Thomas Munson.

We are somewhat better informed regarding John Munson, the father of Thomas. Towards the close of his long life—he lived to be 79 years old—he was in straitened circumstances, as the following extracts from the Overseers' Accounts show:<sup>29</sup>

- 1639: Itm to John Munson in time of sickness.....x<sup>s</sup>  
 1645: February Itm to Munson being sicke.....0.2.0  
 1647: Itm to John Munson for cloth for a pr of breeches...0.6.8.  
 1650: It John Munson 2<sup>s</sup> month for 8 months.....0.16.0.  
 1650: John Monson 5 monuths at 2/<sup>s</sup> per monuth...0.10.0.  
 1650: Imprimis to John Munson for 5 months at 2<sup>s</sup> pr month...0.10.0.  
 1650: Imprimis to John Monson for 3 months 2<sup>s</sup> p month...0.6.0.  
 May, 1651: Imprimis to John Munson his daughter being sicke...0.1.0.  
 June, 1651: Imprimis to John Munson his daughter being sicke...0.4.0.  
 Dec., 1651: Imprimis to John Munson.....0.0.9.

Most of the accounts given in the Overseers' books were for the previous year. Thus, the accounts for 1639 were entered on April 9, 1640,<sup>30</sup> and those for 1650 on April 22, 1651. It will be noted that there is an apparent discrepancy in dates. The registers show that John Munson was buried on November 26, 1650, yet, at various times in 1651 the money granted to him in his time of distress was entered on the books. In Olorenshaw's

<sup>27</sup> *Ibid.*, 42.

<sup>28</sup> Donald Lines Jacobus, M.A., *New Haven Genealogical Magazine: Families of Ancient New Haven*, I (1922), 113.

<sup>29</sup> Olorenshaw, *op. cit.*, 171, 181, 184, 190, 193, 195, 196, 197, 199.

<sup>30</sup> *Ibid.*, 170.

valuable book on Rattlesden the entries for 1651 are given with a question mark, thus throwing some doubt on the time element. It is probable that they were intended for 1650, but were not listed in their proper places.

The evidence herein presented indicates very strongly that Capt. Thomas Munson's English home was located in the picturesque little village of Rattlesden in Suffolk. A certain Susan Munson came to America on the ship *Elizabeth* in 1634, in company with the Munnings, Kimballs, and Scotts,<sup>31</sup> whose families are mentioned frequently in the Rattlesden registers. Her age was given as 25 years, which does not coincide with the date of baptism (in 1603) of the "Suzan" who was a sister of Thomas Munson, but, as often was the case in those days, it may have been given incorrectly by the young woman herself, or it may not have been understood by the clerk who recorded it. It is earnestly hoped that subsequent investigations among English records will reveal more precisely the relationship of Captain Thomas Munson, of New Haven, with the family of that name settled at Rattlesden, county Suffolk, from before 1570. If definite proof can be found that he was the son of John Munson (1571-1650), of Rattlesden, it is desirable that information be ascertained regarding the family of his mother Elizabeth, who died in 1634. His genealogical history will not be complete until corresponding data be found concerning his wife, Joanna, who died at New Haven, December 13, 1678, aged 68, by whom he had his children: Elizabeth, married (1) Oct. 19, 1664, Timothy Cooper (died 1679), and (2) Richard Higginbotham, living in 1713;<sup>32</sup> Ensign Samuel, baptized Aug. 7, 1643, died 1693, married Oct. 26, 1665, Martha Bradley; and Hannah, baptized June 11, 1648, died November 30, 1695, married (1) May 2, 1667, Joseph Tuttle (died Sept., 1690), and (2) Aug. 21, 1694, Nathan Bradley, of Guilford, Conn.<sup>33</sup>

<sup>31</sup> *N. E. Hist. & Gen. Reg.*, July, 1903, 331.

<sup>32</sup> Elizabeth Munson-Cooper-Higginbotham died on Dec. 18, 1706.

<sup>33</sup> For a biography of Hannah Munson-Tuttle-Bradley's grandson, prominent in the affairs of colonial New Jersey, see Milton Rubincam, "Colonel Joseph Tuttle, of Morris County, and His Family," *Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society*, Jan., 1940, 3-17.

## HUMPHREY<sup>1</sup> GILBERT'S SECOND WIFE

By CLARENCE ALMON TORREY, PH.B., of Dorchester, Mass.

Humphrey<sup>1</sup> Gilbert of Ipswich, Massachusetts, deposed in Middlesex County, Massachusetts, Court, Dec. 18, 1654, aged about thirty-eight years, from which it appears that he was born in or about 1616. His will, dated Feb. 14, 1657/8, was proved March 30, 1658. The inventory of his estate was taken March 10, 1657/8 (Essex County, Massachusetts, Probate Records, vol. 1, pages 264-265).

He left a widow Elizabeth, son John, daughters Hannah, Martha, Mary and Abigail. Birth dates of his children are lacking, but Hannah deposed in 1670, aged about twenty-four years (Essex County Court Records, vol. 4, page 264), hence born in or about 1646, and Martha deposed Nov. 23, 1668, aged about nineteen years (*Ibid.*, vol. 4, page 84), and April 21, 1670, aged twenty-one years (*Ibid.*, vol. 4, page 242), hence born in or about 1649. It is believed that Mary was born about 1651 and Abigail about 1653.

From Essex County Probate Records (vol. 1, pages 265-266), it appears that Humphrey Gilbert's first wife gave her daughters "several things" on her death bed. Daughter "Hanna" is mentioned but the other daughters are not named. This implies that at least two daughters were by his first wife, and Mary was probably her daughter. It is uncertain whether Abigail was by his first wife, whose name has not been found by the writer, or by his second wife Elizabeth, who was the mother of his son John.

Humphrey Gilbert's widow married second, at Ipswich, Sept. 24, 1658, William Raynor, who died at Marblehead, Mass., Oct. 26, 1672. Administration on his estate was granted to his widow Elizabeth, March 25, 1673. Six children are mentioned in the probate records (Essex County Probate Records, vol. 2, pages 326-327). Subsequently, she married third, as his second wife, Henry<sup>2</sup> Kimball (Richard<sup>1</sup>). He died before June 16, 1676, when the inventory of his estate was taken. His widow Elizabeth was appointed administratrix of his estate June 30, 1676, and signed an agreement Sept. 26, 1676. The inventory mentions "Remainder of Legacies belonging to Humphrey Gilbert's childrin" and "Land belonging to Humphrey Gilbert's farm which William Rayner Reed. of Thomas Fiske" (Essex County Probate Records, vol. 3, pages 74-75). Elizabeth's fourth husband was Daniel Kilham, or Killam, senior, to whom she was married by 1679, and she was living in 1686 (Essex Institute Historical Collections, vol. 49, page 215). She died before March

29, 1693, when Daniel Kilham married third, Rebecca Smith, according to Topsfield, Mass., vital records. In Wenham, Mass., death records her baptismal name appears as Mary. Daniel Kilham had a fourth wife.

John Black, senior, [of Beverly, Mass.], died intestate March 16, 1674/5. Administration on his estate was granted July 20, 1675, to his son John, who was ordered to make payments to his sisters Eliza Kemboll, Pearceis Follett and Lydia Davis (Essex County, Mass., Probate Records, vol. 3, page 9).

Evidently, the sister Eliza [Elizabeth] was the wife of Henry Kimball, who was the only Kimball in Essex County who had a wife Elizabeth in 1675.

Salem, Mass., church records mention the baptisms of three daughters of John Black: Lydia, Dec. 25, 1636, another Lydia, June 3, 1638, and a daughter not named in the record, Nov. 27, 1640.

From the probate records it appears that Lydia, baptized June 3, 1638, was the youngest daughter living in 1675. Persis Black, who married Robert Follett, Nov. 29, 1655, was younger than Elizabeth. Presumably, Elizabeth was born about 1632 and Persis about 1634.

John Black's wife is not mentioned in Essex County Probate Records, Court Records, or in Perley's History of Salem. It is believed that she was the Susanna Black, who with her husband John Black, joined the church at Charlestown, Mass., Jan. 4, 1634/5 (Wyman's Charlestown, page 86). Sept. 9, 1645, John Black, aged 54, was exempted from military training (Essex County Court Records, vol. 1, page 84).

As nearly as can be ascertained, Humphrey Gilbert's son John, by his second wife Elizabeth Black, was born in or about 1656.

**A GREAT-GREAT-GRANDMOTHER OF MARY  
DOLBERE OR DOLBIAR, WIFE OF JONATHAN  
GILLETT OF DORCHESTER, MASS., AND  
WINDSOR, CONN.**

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In THE AMERICAN GENEALOGIST, vol. 15, pp. 208-217, there appeared an article by the present writer entitled *Jonathan Gillett of Dorchester, Mass., and Windsor, Conn., and Mary Dolbere or Dolbiar, his Wife*. In this article, it was shown that



the wife of the immigrant Jonathan<sup>1</sup> Gillett was Mary Dolbere or Dolbiar, who was baptized at Colyton, co. Devon, 7 June 1607. She was the daughter of Rawkey, Rockye, Rokey, Rokie, Roky or Rochee Dolbere or Dolbiar, yeoman, of the hamlet of Cadhayne in the parish of Colyton, and Mary (Michell) his wife. She was the granddaughter, paternally, of Robert Dolbere or Dolbiar, yeoman, of the hamlet of Cadhayne in the parish of Colyton, who married at Colyton, 26 April 1563, Agnes Sampson, of Hawkechurch, co. Dorset. Agnes Sampson was almost certainly a daughter of Nicholas Sampson, of Hawkechurch, several of whose children were married at Colyton. The Hawkechurch Parish Register only begins in 1663, so that it has not yet been possible to prove this connection with absolute certainty, but there is much circumstantial evidence in favor of this hypothesis.

It is now possible to give an abstract of the will of the widow Johan Sampson of Hawkechurch, mother of Nicholas Sampson, and presumptive grandmother of Agnes (Sampson) Dolbere or Dolbiar, and thus presumptive great-great-grandmother of Mary, wife of Jonathan Gillett.

The Will of JOHAN SAMPSON of Hawkeherst (*sic*) in the diocese of Bristol, widow, dated 26 Dec. 1553. I desire to be buried in Hawkechurch Church near my late husband. I give 6s 8d. to that church to be prayed for. To my eldest son, Robert Sampson, a bullock pasturing at Prescalle, & to his children, a ewe each. To my son William Sampson, a cow and £5, and to his wife, Edith, a heifer, and to his children, a ewe each. To my son Walter Sampson, a brass pot, a table board, a cupboard, and my house and my ground at Deepmorsland. To his daughter, Margaret Sampson, a ewe. To my daughter, Elizabeth Byer, a kirtle, gown &c; to her children, a ewe each; her husband Henry Byer owing me £6, I bequeath thereof 20s. each to his five children; and to one of them, Margery Byer, 20s. more. To my son, George Sampson, £23, a bed, &c. To my daughter, Margery Sampson, my silver goblet and my pans. To my son, Thomas Sampson, my silver salt. To Gregory Sampson, 13s. 4d.; to his sister Bennett Sampson, 6s. 8d.; and to the rest of my son Nicholas's children, a ewe each. Residuary legatees and executors: my children Thomas, John & Margery Sampson. Witnesses: John Purches, parson there; Walter Sampson, of Membrye; John Sprayke, of Hawkechurche; Walter Sampson, of same. Proved, 31 January 1553/4, by Robert Hawkyns, proctor to the executors (P. C. C., 25 Tashe).

## THE CASE OF THE CHAIRMAKERS A PROBLEM IN THE CROCKETT FAMILY

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The purpose of this story is not only to prove who were the parents and grandparents of Josiah and Robinson Crockett of Deer Isle, Maine, but also to illustrate—for those who are unfamiliar with their value—how deeds and other documents may be used as evidence in such a proof.

The starting point is the statement that Josiah Crockett, who settled on Deer Isle as early as 1768, was a younger brother of Robinson Crockett who came many years later from the vicinity of Portland, with their father Richard.<sup>(a, b)</sup> The writer after a long search discovered the proof of this statement in the records of deeds of Hancock County.<sup>(c)</sup> The following is an abstract of the records:

On 11 May 1803, a legal action was taken by Ignatius Haskell to collect a debt of \$546.07 against the estate of Josiah Crockett at Deer Isle. As the inventory of the estate was less than this sum, the estate was seized in payment of the debt. The land consisted of one right in a tract of undivided land owned in common with other proprietors and valued at \$22, a lot containing 100 acres which with the barn thereon was valued at \$300, and a third lot valued at \$20 and described as "one sixth part of one hundred acres being in common with other heirs of Richard Crockett." This clause proves not only that Josiah was a son of Richard but also that Richard left six surviving sons and daughters. The date of the proceedings indicates that Josiah died in 1803.

The United States Census of 1790 shows that Josiah was then living in Deer Isle, and in his family there were two males over sixteen years of age, two males under sixteen, and two females, that is himself, his wife, three sons, and one daughter. The births of these children are not on record. His only daughter, Sarah, was married to William Webb as early as 1805.<sup>(a, b)</sup> Assuming that she was over sixteen when married, this indicates only that she was born before 1789 and hence was probably the youngest child. The name of the oldest child, Nathan, is known.<sup>(a)</sup> Hence he was the son over sixteen in 1790 and was born before 1774. The name of another son, Ephraim, is also known.<sup>(a)</sup> He was one of the two under sixteen and born after 1774. The name of the third son is not given by any authority. But a record was found which states Josiah died 12 Apr. 1817.<sup>(v)</sup> The father according to the deed just mentioned was deceased by 1803. This death record, therefore, can not refer to the

father, and as Robinson had no son by this name,<sup>(a)</sup> the Josiah who died 12 Apr. 1817 can be none other than the third son of the Josiah who came to Deer Isle.

The wife of Josiah Crockett was Sarah Dow, born 5 Aug. 1744, daughter of Nathan and Mary (Flanders) Dow.<sup>(1)</sup> She came to Deer Isle in 1767, a member of her father's family, about a year before the arrival of her future husband. There is no record of the marriage of Josiah and Sarah, but it must have occurred a few years after their separate arrivals, that is about 1770. In the preceding paragraph it was shown that the eldest child Nathan was born before 1774. These dates all check with each other. Sarah survived her husband and in 1803 sold to Edward Haskell Jr. nine acres of land which had belonged to the estate of her father Nathan Dow.<sup>(d)</sup> She died in 1828.<sup>(b)</sup>

The family history of Richard Crockett has been discovered very largely from deeds in the Cumberland County registry, and from manuscripts and original records in the library of the Maine Historical Society at Portland. At the time of the migration of the Crocketts to Deer Isle, Portland was called Falmouth and was bounded on the west by Gorham and on the south by Cape Elizabeth, although these towns are now separated from Portland by cities which have been carved off from ancient Falmouth. Even Cape Elizabeth was once called the second parish of Falmouth.

In Gorham there were several families of Crocketts among the early settlers, some of whom were not closely related. There was a Samuel from Barnstable, Mass., whose descendants have been traced with sufficient completeness to eliminate him from our picture. There were Andrew, Pelatiah, and Jonathan, and their families, who came from Stratham, New Hampshire, but too late to be of much interest in this story. But the first Crocketts to settle in Gorham were Richard and Samuel, brothers from New Hampshire, and the family history of this Samuel has also been compiled.<sup>(j, k)</sup> Cumberland County deeds show that Richard and Samuel were chairmakers, that they had shops in Portland although they lived in Gorham, and that Samuel after a short time became a shipwright.<sup>(n)</sup> Richard continued in the business of chairmaking and more will be said about him in subsequent paragraphs. A tax list of Cape Elizabeth, dated 1743, shows that there were no members of the Crockett family in Cape Elizabeth at that time.<sup>(p)</sup> Early cemetery inscriptions of Cape Elizabeth show the same thing.<sup>(q)</sup> A search in all the available records reveals only one Richard Crockett in Falmouth or vicinity early enough to have been the father of Josiah.

What is the family history of this Richard Crockett? The first record of him in Falmouth is the admission of Richard and Mary Crockett as members of the First Church of Falmouth, 20 Aug. 1732.<sup>(m)</sup> The Mary Crockett, born 28 Mar. 1732,<sup>(m)</sup>

although her parents are not named in the record, was their daughter because she was not a daughter of Samuel, the only other Crockett living in Falmouth at this time. The other children of Richard and Mary have been definitely placed in their family by the following procedure. The marriages of the Crocketts of Gorham are given in the original records of the First Church of Falmouth at the library of the Maine Historical Society.<sup>(m)</sup> The children of the first Samuel are given by McLellan.<sup>(k)</sup> As the children of the Samuel from Barnstable were born too recently to enter into this situation, Richard is the only other Crockett whose children were getting married at the same time as those of the first Samuel. If the records of marriages of the children of Samuel are taken out of the records of the First Church, the records that remain are the marriages of the children of Richard. As it is generally true that the men were over 21 years of age when married and the girls over 16, the more recent limits of the years of birth may be found by subtracting these ages from the years in which the marriages occurred, and then by allowing a space of two years between each child, the probable though not the certain year of birth may be found for each child. In this family the results fitted together as closely as the pieces of a picture puzzle and produced this list of the children of Richard Crockett:

- i. MARY, b. 28 Mar. 1732; m. James Wagg, 11 Nov. 1749.
- ii. RICHARD, b. probably about 1734; m. 14 Nov. 1755, Elizabeth Roberts.
- iii. JOSHUA, b. probably about 1736; m. 8 July 1758, Hannah Babb.
- iv. SARAH, b. probably about 1738; m. 1 Sep. 1754, Richard O'Brian.
- v. HANNAH, b. probably about 1740; m. 26 Jan. 1756, John Bryant.
- vi. DANIEL, b. probably about 1742; m. 25 Nov. 1763, Mary Noyes.
- vii. ROBINSON, b. before 1745 as he was older than Josiah and George; no marriage record.
- viii. JOSIAH, b. before 1747 as he was older than George; m. about 1770, Sarah Dow.
- ix. GEORGE, b. before 1749; m. 10 May 1770, Mary Matthews.

Of these sons, Richard settled at Cape Elizabeth, Robinson went to Cape Elizabeth and then to Deer Isle, Joshua, Daniel and George settled in Windham, and Josiah went directly from Gorham to Deer Isle.<sup>(a, c, f, k, o)</sup>

Some of the deeds concerning the Crocketts of Cape Elizabeth are of special interest. On 12 Sep. 1781, Richard Crockett of Cape Elizabeth, chairmaker, for two pounds, sold to George Roberts "two-fifths of a piece of land called the barn field on the eastern side of the post road formerly belonging to my father Mr. George Roberts, late of Falmouth, deceased," and Robinson Crockett was a witness.<sup>(e)</sup> On the next day, Richard Crockett of Cape Elizabeth, chairmaker, for 100 pounds, sold to Robinson Crockett of Cape Elizabeth, chairmaker, 25 acres at Long Creek

in Falmouth near Cummins Bridge, one of the abutters being George Roberts.<sup>(f)</sup> The grantor of the first of these deeds is surely Richard Jr., but the grantor of the second deed may be either Richard Sr. or Richard Jr. But the following deed refers without question to the father. Richard Crockett of Falmouth, chairmaker, conveyed by a mortgage to John Waite of Falmouth, merchant, a lot containing  $\frac{2}{3}$  part of  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre on Middle Street, with the building containing his shop, 16 Mar. 1759, it being the property which he purchased of John Sawyer Jr. of Falmouth, yeoman, 21 Jan. 1750.<sup>(g)</sup> And Samuel Crockett of Falmouth was also called a chairmaker, 25 Aug. 1740, when he purchased of Phinehas Jones, and Stephen Jones, traders, and John Waite, coaster, all of Falmouth, 30 acres in Falmouth.<sup>(h)</sup> These deeds make it clear that Richard, Sr., and his brother Samuel before he became a shipwright, and the former's sons Richard, Jr., and Robinson, were all chairmakers. Richard, Jr., remained at Cape Elizabeth.

It is not certain that Richard, Sr., ever lived in Cape Elizabeth, but it is certain that he lived in Gorham and had a shop in what is now Portland. That he accompanied his son Robinson to Deer Isle is proved by the record of the proprietors of Deer Isle stating "We have laid out to Richard Crockett settler before 1786, 100 acres on Deer Island as shore opposite Crockett's Falls on the west side of the Cove."<sup>(i)</sup> The date of Richard's death has not been found.

Allowing at least 21 years for the age of Richard at the time his daughter Mary was born in 1732,<sup>(m)</sup> this record places his birth before 1711. Among the many Crockett families described by Stackpole,<sup>(r)</sup> the only one into which a Richard born at this time fits well is the family of Richard and Deborah Crockett of Stratham, New Hampshire. That they had a son Richard is proved by the following deed: On 13 July 1733, Richard Crockett of Stratham conveyed to his son William Crockett of Stratham one half acre on the west side of his orchard reserving out of said land a burying place for himself and his posterity forever "so much as shall be decent" and providing that if the son William should desire to sell this lot he was obliged to give his brothers Ephraim or Richard the refusal of it.<sup>(s)</sup> That they had a son Samuel of Falmouth is proved by another deed. On 10 Jan. 1749, Richard Crockett of Stratham conveyed to his sons William Crockett of Epping ("Ippen"), husbandman, and Samuel Crockett of Falmouth, shipwright, all his lands, rights, and titles to commonages in the townships of Kittery and Berwick in equal moieties.<sup>(t)</sup>

These deeds might be considered sufficient proof of the parentage of Richard, but the following is an abstract of a document found in the court records of the Province of New Hampshire in the archives of the New Hampshire Historical Society.<sup>(u)</sup> In



an action of debt brought by James Noble of Falmouth, innholder, 16 Aug. 1740, the sheriff of New Hampshire was commanded to attach the goods or estate of Richard Crockett Jr. of Stratham, within the Province of New Hampshire, chairmaker, alias Dick or Richard Crockett of Falmouth in the County of York in New England, chairmaker, to the value of 106 £. The identity of this Richard is made complete by the naming of his occupation, and it is proved that he was a son of Richard and Deborah Crockett of Stratham.

The name of his wife is proved by the following deed. Richard Crockett of Stratham, N. H., joiner, and Mary, his wife, for 10 shillings, sold to John Robinson Jr. of Falmouth, mariner, "all the land that now is or ever shall be coming to us in Casco Bay or any other parts of the Eastward which is or shall be coming to us from the estate of Samuel York late of Gloster Deed, we being Heirs to sd York Estate," the date of the deed being 5 Nov. 1747.<sup>(w)</sup> The question might be raised that this deed refers to a second wife of his father, but in all deeds his father is called a yeoman, and there is no evidence that his father had a second wife. Evidently Richard returned to Stratham for a while.

The name of his mother and his grandfather is proved by another deed, this one being granted by his father, 4 June 1724, as a relinquishment of title, and containing this statement, "I, Richard Crockett of Stratham, but formerly of Kittery, the son of Mr. Ephraim Crockett deed & Married Debra the young Daughter of Mr. Andrew Haley deceased do by these Presents forever hereafter acquit & discharge my Brother in Law Mr. Andrew Haley Administrator of the Estate of my said Father Andrew Haley from all rights whatsoever belonging unto me the said Richard Crockett by vertue of my Marriage with the said Debora Haley."<sup>(r)</sup>

On the same day that this deed was made, all the heirs of Andrew Haley made an agreement in the form of a deed by which they released to their brother Andrew Haley Jr. all their title to the estate of their father. Their names were: Anna Westgate relict of Richard Westgate and daughter of Andrew Haley, Richard Crockett and wife Deborah, George Barrey (Berrey?) housecarpenter of Kittery and wife Deliverance, Nicholas Hiliard and wife Elizabeth of Newington, Samuel Skillin and wife Arodas of Kittery.<sup>(s)</sup>

This Richard Crockett, the first of the name, purchased the homestead in Stratham, then a part of Quamscott, 10 Apr. 1713,<sup>(aa)</sup> and moved there from Kittery with his wife and all of his children except the youngest who was born there. He was one of the original proprietors of Bow, New Hampshire, 20 May 1727, but evidently never lived there.<sup>(bb)</sup> His eldest son



Ephraim, called "Ephraim Crockett of Stratham," married Rebecca Frink of Kittery, 13 Mar. 1729,<sup>(cc)</sup> and remained in Stratham.<sup>(dd)</sup> It seems probable that the Andrew, Pelatiah, and Jonathan who later settled in Gorham were among the sons of this Ephraim. The other sons of Richard and Deborah were William who settled in Epping, and the Richard and Samuel who settled in Falmouth.

Richard's father Ephraim was a son of the colonial pioneer Thomas Crockett, and accounts of these families may be found in the Genealogical Dictionary of Maine and New Hampshire, by Libby, Noyes, and Davis. This completes the lineage of Josiah and Robinson Crockett of Deer Isle to the progenitor of this branch of the family in America.

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## JOSEPH OGLESBY WITH SOME ACCOUNT OF THE OGLESBY FAMILY

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When the extensive emigrations from the seaboard colonies into the frontier regions of what is now the Middle West took place following the Revolution, the pioneers left behind them many of the influences which might be called civilizing. Religion was not one of these, however, for like it or not, the circuit-riding preacher was hard on their heels, bringing the Gospel from cabin to cabin and ministering to the sick wherever he found them. Such a man was Joseph Oglesby. His career, while not an undistinguished one, affords an excellent example of the life of a frontier minister in the days when America, not Africa, was the stamping-ground for missionary zeal.

Joseph Oglesby was born July 3, 1781 in Virginia, probably in Westmoreland County, for his gravestone describes him as a "native" of that place. His parents were William Oglesby (born August 22, 1751, died 1824 in Oldham Co., Ky.) and Martha Ellis (born December 8, 1752), daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (——) Ellis, who were married December 29, 1771, in Henrico County, Virginia, by the Rev. William Douglas. It appears likely that William Oglesby, father of Joseph, was the son of Richard Oglesby and Sarah Ferguson of Goochland County, Virginia. Joseph Oglesby's parents spent their early married life in Goochland County and can be found there at least until February, 1774. It is probable that they soon after moved to Westmoreland County where Joseph, their fifth child, is stated to have been a native.

The wanderlust of the family was apparently far from satisfied by this last move, however, and following in the post-Revolution trend, they joined the long file of Virginia families moving West into the new state of Kentucky. Daniel Boone had made his first visit to the Kentucky territory in 1767, and it was in 1775 that he founded Boonesborough on the Kentucky River. Actually, Harrodsburg, which was founded in the previous year, was the first English settlement in that neighborhood. With the close of hostilities with England, an extensive migration took place from Maryland, Virginia, and North Carolina into this new region as yet so sparsely populated—a movement greatly aided by land grants for war service. The route followed by the vast majority was by way of the Wilderness Road, running from the Watauga settlement in eastern Tennessee, over the Cumber-

land Gap, and past what are now Crab Orchard, Danville, and Bardstown in Kentucky to the Falls of the Ohio. This road was passable only for men and horses until 1795 when it was improved for wagon travel. It was probably along this well-marked pathway that the Oglesby family journeyed to Jefferson County, Kentucky, where they are to be found at least as early as September, 1797 (when the eldest daughter was married there). William Oglesby seems to have been a man of some means, for he owned a plantation listed in 1824 as 457 acres, located at first in Jefferson County, then in Shelby County, and after 1823 in that part of Oldham County taken away from Shelby.

Joseph Oglesby's life here on the new frontier was early touched by the Gospel, and in his case, it was the Gospel expounded by the Methodist Church. The fact that he should be brought into the fold of Methodism, rather than that of some other faith, was natural enough, for it was rapidly becoming the most influential church in that region. The Wesleyan movement did not indeed reach America until 1769, nor was a General Conference held until 1784, but it soon made up for its late start and became an especially potent force among the Anglo-Saxon stock populating the new territories in the Middle West. Joseph Oglesby's entrance into the Church is laconically described as follows in the *Journal of the Western Annual Conference . . . for 1803*: "Joseph Oglesby who has been in profession of religion about two years, and has preached as a local preacher, about one year. A man of tolerable gifts and came well recommended."

His first real appointment came in that year of 1803 when, aged 22, he was named to the Miami Circuit—that is, he made the rounds on horseback of the various congregations ("societies" is the Methodist term) in the region of the Miami River in southwestern Ohio. Included in this circuit were Cincinnati, where he is said to have been the first Methodist minister, and Lawrenceburg, Indiana. The succeeding autumn (1804) found him with a circuit in Illinois, a region in which he pioneered as the first preacher ever to visit the settlers there. His own description of his work at this time is highly picturesque: "In the fall of 1804 I went a missionary to Illinois. When I left the Ohio river at Clarksville—foot of the falls—on my way to my field of labor, there was but one family living on the trace till I reached Vincennes—a distance of about one hundred and fifty miles, as the trace then ran. But there was a fearful amount of ferocious wild beasts, and Indians not a few, by a company of whom I expected to have been murdered at the crossing of the west fork of White river. I was then alone, in a howling wilderness of one hundred and eighty miles before me. I was unwilling to undertake the journey alone. I there-

fore remained at Vincennes near two days, till company came up who were bound for Turkey Hill settlement, which was then the emporium of Illinois. After four days lonely and hard traveling, we reached our place of destination in safety. I soon commenced my labors, and formed a three weeks circuit, which was about three hundred miles in circumference. The circuit contained two respectable classes, besides a few scattering members. During that year, my labor was hard and my sufferings intolerable; but the pleasure of the Lord prospered in my unworthy hands. I was far beyond the reach of my presiding elder,—Rev. William M'Kendree. I therefore had to bear the burden and heat of the day alone, not seeing one of the preachers that season. In June 1805, I reconnoitered the Missouri country to the extremity of the settlement, and had the pleasure of seeing Daniel Boone, the mighty hunter, during my trip there. I preached frequently, which was novel to the people, as I was the first Methodist that had ever preached in that territory."

In 1805, following his Missouri appointment, he was made a deacon and sent to the Little Kanawha Circuit in the north-western portion of West Virginia (then Virginia). The next three years found him, now elevated to the rank of elder, active on the Whitewater Circuit in south-western Indiana, the Shelby Circuit in western Kentucky, the Nashville Circuit in central Tennessee, the Duck River Circuit in western Tennessee, and finally in the years 1808-1809 on the Maramack Circuit in Missouri. His work on the last named of these was so strenuous that pleurisy, which he had contracted in mid-winter, developed into what was probably the much dreaded "galloping consumption," now known as tuberculosis. On the advice of his presiding elder, Samuel Parker, he went home to his father's plantation to try to recover his health. It was necessary for him to ask the next Methodist Western Conference for a location—that is, he temporarily withdrew from Conference membership and ceased active participation in Church work.

It was while on this visit to his family that he married Elizabeth Hite (born 1787, died June 20, 1868). The marriage license was issued in Jefferson County, Ky., on September 1, 1809, and the return was made on the following day. The bride was the daughter of John Hite, formerly of Shepherdstown, (West) Virginia, the granddaughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (——) Hite, and the great-granddaughter of the famous settler of the Shenandoah Valley, Hans Jost Hite. The name of John Hite's wife is not known (although it is purported to be Elizabeth Talbot); and little is known about John Hite himself save the few facts that, born in 1754, he was left an orphan in 1758, is mentioned in the will of his grandfather Hans Jost Hite in 1758, was a trustee of Shepherdstown in 1796 and a merchant there, received 200 acres of land in Jefferson County, Ky., by

the will of his uncle Abraham Hite probated February 2, 1790 in that county, and was alive in September 1809.

Joseph Oglesby's convalescence appears to have been complete by the year 1811 when he again assumed his missionary duties. Readmitted to the Conference, he was appointed to the Salt River and Flemingsburg Circuits in Kentucky, and in 1813 to the Mad River Circuit in Ohio. After one year on the Miami Circuit, which he had served just a decade before, he again in 1815 asked for and received a location.

This last decision was undoubtedly called forth by the necessity for providing greater support for his now enlarging family. In this regard, it is interesting to discover that Joseph Oglesby was not only a man of ability as a pioneer and a minister, but that he had also acquired a working knowledge of medicine. That he should have some skill in caring for the sick is not perhaps surprising when one considers that his visits to lonely settlements must on many occasions have found him confronted with serious medical situations. During the ensuing years, he thus appeared more as a doctor than as a minister; but by combining both functions, he was actually linking two professions which had much in common.

Needing a home for his family, Joseph Oglesby in 1818 purchased lot 113 in Madison, Indiana, and there erected a house on the corner of First and East Streets. He was evidently a shrewd business man, for having purchased the whole lot for \$100 in 1818 (the warranty deed is dated November 9 of that year), in 1819 he disposed of portions of it for \$450, realizing a neat profit in the transaction. Apparently, Joseph's father considered him well able to fend for himself, for on his death in 1824, he only left this his third son one slave, the bulk of the estate, including the plantation in Kentucky, passing to Joseph's sisters.

Joseph Oglesby spent the greater part of the remainder of his life in Madison, venturing occasionally back into active participation in religious affairs. He appears to have served in 1824 for about a year as the first regular Methodist pastor in Madison; and in 1831, he entered the Illinois Conference (which included the state of Indiana) and held the post of senior preacher in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, for two years. After that, he was made a presiding elder, a position of considerable distinction, now referred to by the term "district superintendent," which involved the oversight of an entire district consisting of perhaps half a hundred churches in Indiana. It appears that he did not impose too rigorous a religious code on his own life, for there has turned up among the 1848 records of the Madison city clerk an item describing ten gallons of whiskey at 50¢ per gallon which was shipped to him from Pittsburgh by boat. Perhaps there may be some application here of the story of the

minister who was asked by the express office to "come quick, Reverend, your box of Bibles is leaking."

The year 1851 found him in Louisville, where he went to live with his youngest son, Benjamin Asbury Oglesby. On March 14, 1852, he went to Madison to give the Sunday sermon, and on his return to Louisville became very ill. He died on the following Saturday, March 20, 1852. His grave is now in the Springdale Cemetery at Madison (although that was not the original burial location). His will has not been found in Jefferson or Oldham Counties, Kentucky, or Jefferson County, Indiana.

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A brief genealogy of the Oglesby family, based largely on information obtained from family bibles, follows:

#### *First Generation*

William<sup>1</sup> Oglesby, b. Aug. 22, 1751, probably in Goochland Co., Va.; d. 1824 (before March 15) in Oldham Co., Ky.; m. Dec. 29, 1771, in Henrico Co., Va., Martha Ellis, b. Dec. 8, 1752, d. before Nov. 26, 1823, dau. Joseph and Elizabeth (——) Ellis.

##### Children:

- i. Sally, b. Sept. 2, 1772; d. before Nov. 26, 1823; m. Sept. 15, 1797, in Jefferson Co., Ky., Michael Smyser (or Smisser).
- ii. Lucy, b. Feb. 4, 1774, in Goochland Co., Va.; alive in November, 1823; m. ——— Wilcox.
- iii. Ellis,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 2, 1777; d. April 7, 1847; m. June 2, 1827, Joanna Yager.
- iv. Joshua, b. Sept. 27, 1779; alive in November, 1823.
- v. Joseph<sup>2</sup>, b. July 3, 1781, probably in Westmoreland Co., Va.; d. March 20, 1852, in Louisville, Ky.; m. Sept. 1 or 2, 1809, in Jefferson Co., Ky., Elizabeth Hite.
- vi. Elizabeth<sup>2</sup>, b. Jan. 19, 1783; alive in Nov., 1823; m. ——— Ellis.
- vii. Edy<sup>2</sup>, b. April 3, 1785; d. before Nov. 26, 1823; m. Landen Ashby.
- viii. Charles, b. July 26, 1787; d. before Nov. 26, 1823.
- ix. Ann, b. Nov. 19, 1789; d. before Nov. 26, 1823.
- x. William, b. April 3, 1792; d. before Nov. 26, 1823.
- xi. Martha<sup>2</sup>, b. Oct. 7, 1794; d. Nov. 7, 1842; m. Aug. 29, 1814, in Shelby Co., Ky., Joseph Carter.
- xii. Eliza, b. Jan. 8, 1799; d. before Nov. 26, 1823.

Jesse<sup>1</sup> Oglesby, referred to in the will of William<sup>1</sup> Oglesby as a brother, and appointed one of the executors of that will.

#### *Second Generation*

Ellis<sup>2</sup> Oglesby (William<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 2, 1777; d. April 7, 1847; served as a private from Kentucky in the War of 1812; m. June 2, 1827, in Jefferson Co., Ky., Joanna Yager, b. Oct. 5, 1809, d. April 13, 1858, dau. of Benjamin Yager.



## Children :

- i. Eliza, m. April 1, 1845, in Oldham Co., Ky., Louis Sweeney (or Swinney).
- ii. William, b. Dec. 28, 1831; d. April 23, 1848.

Joseph<sup>2</sup> Oglesby (*William*<sup>1</sup>), b. July 3, 1781, probably in Westmoreland Co., Va.; d. March 20, 1852 in Louisville, Ky.; was a Methodist missionary, and also a physician; m. Sept. 1 or 2, 1809, in Jefferson Co., Ky., Elizabeth Hite, b. 1787, d. June 20, 1868, dau. of John Hite.

## Children :

- i. William T., b. 1813; d. July 18, 1831.
- ii. John Hite<sup>2</sup>, b. Feb. 6, 1814; d. 1896 in Indianapolis, Ind.; m. Mary Goodrich.
- iii. Martha Ellis, b. 1815; d. August, 1816.
- iv. America Hamilton<sup>2</sup>, b. June 24, 1820, in Madison, Ind.; d. June 4, 1903, in Madison, Ind.; m. Joseph Hubbs.
- v. Joseph Henry<sup>2</sup>, b. Sept. 22, 1822; d. Feb. 2, 1888, in New Orleans, La.; m. (1) about 1839, Margaret Hendricks; m. (2) May 30, 1878, Margaret Antoinette Lennig.
- vi. Benjamin Asbury<sup>2</sup>, b. Nov. 1823; d. 1894; m. Nov. 13, 1851, Elizabeth (Taylor) Dorsey.
- vii. Harriet<sup>2</sup>, b. 1826; d. March 4, 1868, in Jefferson Co., Ky.; m. Charles Samuel Worthington Dorsey.

Elizabeth<sup>2</sup> Oglesby (*William*<sup>1</sup>), b. Jan. 19, 1783; alive in November, 1823; m. ——— Ellis.

Child [*Ellis*] :

- i. Josiah M., b. May 8, 1809; d. Sept. 23, 1842.

Edy<sup>2</sup> Oglesby (*William*<sup>1</sup>), b. April 3, 1785; d. before Nov. 26, 1823; m. Landen Ashby.

Children [*Ashby*] :

- i. Lucy W., b. May 10, 1804.
- ii. William, b. Sept. 18, 1807.
- iii. Joshua, b. March 28, 1812.
- iv. Jane Mariah, b. April 7, 1814.
- v. Benjamin F., b. Feb. 14, 1818.

Martha<sup>2</sup> Oglesby (*William*<sup>1</sup>), b. Oct. 7, 1794; d. Nov. 7, 1842; m. Aug. 29, 1814, in Shelby Co., Ky., Joseph Carter, son of Thomas and Susannah (Gaines) Carter.

Children [*Carter*] :

- i. Stephen Oglesby, b. July 4, 1820; d. Jan. 15, 1863; m. Aug 3, 1843, Susan H. Maddox.
- ii. Tipton.
- iii. Addison, d. unmarried.
- iv. Meredith.

*Third Generation*

John Hite<sup>3</sup> Oglesby (*Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*), b. Feb. 6, 1814; d. 1896, in Indianapolis; m. Mary Goodrich.

## Children:

- i. Louise, m. Henry Tidd.
- ii. Virginia M., b. July 16, 1833; d. June, 1915, in Indianapolis, Ind.; m. April 25, 1855, in Indianapolis, Ind., Milton M. Landis.
- iii. William, killed in Civil War.
- iv. Elizabeth, b. 1845; m. ——— Day.
- v. Joseph Ellis, b. 1847 in Indianapolis; m. Harriet Amelia Yundt, of Lafayette, Ind.
- vi. John Hite jr.
- vii. Ann, m. Will Hays.
- viii. Walter.

America Hamilton<sup>3</sup> Oglesby (*Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*), b. June 24, 1820, in Madison, Ind.; d. June 4, 1903, at Madison, Ind.; m. Joseph Hubbs, b. 1809, d. Sept. 5, 1859.

Children [*Hubbs*]:

- i. William E., died in infancy.
- ii. Joseph O., b. 1845 in Madison, Ind.; d. 1852, in Madison, Ind.
- iii. Horace, b. June 25, 1850 in Madison, Ind.; d. Feb. 11, 1875, in New Orleans, La.
- iv. Bessie Lanier, b. May 24, 1853, in Madison, Ind.; d. March 17, 1915, in Madison, Ind.; m. James Hamilton Woolford I, b. April 7, 1829, d. May 14, 1888.

Joseph Henry<sup>3</sup> Oglesby (*Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*), b. Sept. 22, 1822; d. Feb. 2, 1888, in New Orleans, La.; was a banker in New Orleans, where he was President of the Louisiana National Bank, the Commercial Insurance Company, the New Orleans Chamber of Commerce, etc.; m. (1) about 1839, Margaret Hendricks, b. 1822, d. Aug. 24, 1871 in Paris, France, dau. of James and Margaret (——) Hendricks; m. (2) May 30, 1878, Margaret Antoinette Lennig, d. April 9, 1929 in Sea Girt, N. J., dau. of Frederick and Ellen Douglas (Thompson) Lennig.

## Children:

- i. Margaret Isabella, d. unmarried Oct. 12, 1914, in New York City.
- ii. Josephine Sidney, b. 1841; d. July 15, 1895 in Geneva, Switzerland; m. John R. Griffith.
- iii. Ann, d. Oct. 18, 1929 in Bronxville, N. Y.; m. Col. DeLaney Floyd-Jones of Jamaica, Long Island; no children.
- iv. Florence, b. Feb. 25, 1850; d. March 20, 1899 in Villanova, Pa.; m. March 2, 1875 in New Orleans, La., Frank William Paul, b. Oct. 14, 1841, d. Dec. 24, 1912, son of James William and Hannah Clement (Bunker) Paul of Philadelphia.
- v. Joseph Henry jr., b. July 24, 1880; d. July 31, 1880.
- vi. Joseph Henry jr., b. July 1, 1881 in Atlantic City, N. J.; m. (1) in 1913 Dorothy MacGregor; m. (2) Nov. 15, 1920 in New York City, Dorothy Jean Manice.

Benjamin Asbury<sup>3</sup> Oglesby (*Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*), b. Nov. 1823; d. 1894; m. Nov. 13, 1851, Elizabeth (Taylor) Dorsey.

Children:

- i. Harriet, b. Aug. 31, 1852.
- ii. Joseph, b. Feb. 10, 1855.
- iii. Richard T., b. Feb. 20, 1858.
- iv. Elizabeth T., b. June 6, 1864.
- v. Benjamin Asbury jr., b. May 27, 1867.
- vi. Katie, b. July 27, 1869.

Harriet<sup>3</sup> Oglesby (*Joseph<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*), b. 1826; d. March 4, 1868 in Jefferson Co., Ky.; m. Charles Samuel Worthington Dorsey.

Children [*Dorsey*]:

- i. Kate Darwin, b. Feb. 17, 1861 in Jefferson Co., Ky.; m. Oct. 16, 1889 in Louisville, Ky., Charles A. Curran.
- ii. Charles W., died in infancy.
- iii. Howard Carroll, died in infancy.
- iv. Nadine Worthington, b. Feb. 26, 1868 in Jefferson Co., Ky.; d. May 30, 1933 in Alderson, West Virginia; m. Sept. 4, 1900 in Louisville, Ky., Thomas Woodson.

## WESTOVER FAMILY

By MRS. WILLIAM WALLACE MCPHERSON, of Chicago, Illinois

1. JONAS WESTOVER, son of John,\* who died in Simsbury, Conn., Jan. 15, 1708/9, married at Windsor, Conn., Nov. 19, 1663, to Ann (Hannah) baptized June 19, 1642, daughter of Edward and Margaret Griswold. He was a farmer and removed to Killingworth with Edward Griswold and Samuel Buel. He was made a freeman of Windsor in 1658 and of Killingworth in 1669. His first child was recorded in Windsor, the others in Killingworth. There were others recorded in Simsbury, where he evidently resided later in life. His wife Hannah died (at Simsbury) May 3, 1714. (Ref.: *Griswold Family*, p. 23.)

Savage, *Gen. Dictionary*, Vol. IV, pp. 490-1, states the following:

Jonas Westover of Windsor, Conn., in 1649. Removed to Killingworth, where he is found in the list of freemen in 1669. By wife Hannah, whom he married in 1663, he had Margaret, born Feb. 19, 1666, Hannah, born Apr. 8, 1668, Elizabeth, born May 3, 1670, Jane, born Mar. 26, 1672, and these are all appearing on the records, but others he had as by his will in 1702, two other daughters and two sons are named, Jonas, Jonathan, Mary and Joanna. Perhaps one or more were not born at Killingworth, but at Simsbury, where he died Jan. 1709.

\* This statement, made in the Griswold Family, is not based on any evidence that we have seen, and we begin our account with Jonas.

The following appears in *The First Settlers of Connecticut*, by Hinman:

Jonas Westover, Sr., of Simsbury, father of Jonah, Jr., died in 1708. Samuel Case married his daughter. His children: Jonah, Jonathan, Margaret, Hannah, Jane, Mary and Joanna.

The following appears in Stiles's History of Windsor, Conn., Vol. 2, p. 789:

Jonas Westover had Jonas baptized Sept. 20, 1664. Lot granted at Windsor 1661, no house or family recorded. Removed among first settlers of Hammonasset (Killingworth), where he was a freeman in 1669.

Will of Jonas Westover Sr., Simsbury, died Jan. 1708/9. Inventory, £ 401-15-08, taken Jan. 26, 1708, by John Highley Sr., John Slater Sr. and John Case. Will dated Sept. 20, 1702.

I, Jonas Westover, Sr., being very sick, do make this my last Will and Testament. I give to my wife £10 out of my personal estate. Also the house and household goods that are necessary for her use during life. Also 1/3 part of my land to her during life. Also all my land that I stand possessed of. I give my two sons Jonah and Jonathan, to be equally divided between them. Also my housing, after their mother's decease. I do will unto my daughter that each of their portions (with what they have received) shall be £15. What has been paid to my daughters already. To Margaret £5, to Hannah £3, to Jane £2-12-06. To Mary £9-00-06. I appoint my son Jonah and my son-in-law Samuel Case to be executors, and for my son Jonathan to be paid his portion, and my daughter Johannah to be paid her portion, as they come of lawful age.

JONAH WESTOVER SR. (SEAL)

Witnesses,

Dudley Woodbridge

Nathaniel Holcomb Sr.

Court Record, Page 123-7 March 1708-9. Will proven and this Court grant letters of Adm. unto Jonah Westover and Samuel Case with the will annexed. Page 241 (Vol. VIII, Mar. 7, 1714-15). Upon motion of Samuel Case, executor to the last Will of Jonah Westover, Sr., this court now orders and appoints John Pettebone, Sr., and Joshua Holcomb to divide and distribute the lands of the dec'd, according to his last will.

(Ref.: Conn. Probate by Manwaring, Vol. 2, p. 135.)

The will of Hannah Westover of Simsbury, widow, dated Aug. 1, 1713, proved June 7, 1714, mentioned six daughters, and named daughters Hannah Alverd, Mary Case, Jane Byington and Johannah; Jonah; and son Jonathan. Adm'n granted to Samuel Case and Jonathan Westover. (*Ibid.*, Vol. 2, p. 326.)

## Children of Jonah and Hannah (Griswold) Westover:

- \*2 i. JONAS<sup>2</sup>, bapt. Sept. 20, 1664; m. Sept. 1, 1701, in Simsbury, Abigail Case.
- 3 ii. MARGARET, born Feb. 19, 1665/6.
- 4 iii. HANNAH, born Apr. 8, 1668, in Killingworth; m. May 22, 1693, in Simsbury, Josiah Alvord.
- 5 iv. ELIZABETH, born May 3, 1670.
- 6 v. JANE, born Mar. 26, 1672, in Killingworth; m. (1) John Swayne, (2) John Byington, both of Branford.
- 7 vi. SAMUEL, born ———, d. Aug. 15, 1718.
- 8 vii. MARY, born ———, m. Samuel Case.
- 9 viii. JONATHAN, born ———.
- 10 ix. JOANNA, m. Jan. 27, 1712, in Simsbury, Stephen Wilton, of Waterbury.

\*2. JONAS<sup>2</sup> WESTOVER (*Jonas*<sup>1</sup>) was bapt. Sept. 20, 1664 in Windsor, Conn., and died in Simsbury, Conn., June 3, 1714. He married Abigail, daughter of John and Sarah (Spencer) Case in Sept. 1701. Inventory of his estate, amounting to £253, 19, 09, taken June 28, 1714, by John Case, Samuel Case, and Jonathan Westover. Court Record, page 210-12, Aug. 1714: This Court grant letters of Adm. unto Abigail Westover of Simsbury, the widow of said deceased. Vol. 10, p. 68, Feb. 2, 1724-5: Mrs. Abigail Westover, Adm'x, exhibits the account of her Adm'n, which the Court accepts. Order to distribute the estate. To Abigail Westover, widow, £10-11-00. To Nathaniel Westover, eldest son, £87-16-10. To Jonah, John and Abigail Westover, to each, £43-18-05. Thomas Holcomb, Joseph Case and Nathaniel Holcomb appointed distributors. This Court appoint Abigail Westover of Simsbury to be guardian unto her sons, Jonah, about 16 years of age (he desiring the same), and John about 13 years; bond, £150.

## Children of Jonas and Abigail (Case) Westover:

- 11 i. ABIGAIL<sup>2</sup>, born 1702.
- 12 ii. NATHANIEL, born 1703; m. Feb. 1, 1727, Sarah Eno.
- 13 iii. SARAH, born 1705; d. Aug. 15, 1718.
- 14 iv. JONAH, born Apr. 8, 1708.
- \*15 v. JOHN, born Nov. 1711.

\*15. JOHN<sup>3</sup> WESTOVER (*Jonas*<sup>2</sup>, *Jonas*<sup>1</sup>) was born in Simsbury, Conn., Nov. 1711. He married Dec. 25, 1735, Rachel, daughter of Thomas and Hannah (Wileoxson) Morton. He removed from Simsbury to Sheffield, Mass., before Mar. 24, 1744. (See Simsbury Vital Records.)

The following children of John Westover and Rachel Morton are recorded in Sheffield, Mass.:

- 16 i. RACHEL<sup>4</sup>, born Dec. 11, 1736; d. Oct. 18, 1737.
- 17 ii. JOHN, born Aug. 2, 1738.
- 18 iii. ABIGAIL, born Feb. 29, 1740.
- 19 iv. JOB, born Apr. 23, 1742.
- \*20 v. MOSES, born Mar. 24, 1744.
- 21 vi. RACHEL, born Aug. 4, 1745.

- 22 vii. WILLIAM, born Nov. 3, 1746.
- 23 viii. JOANNA, born June 16, 1749.
- 24 ix. NOAH, born Aug. 6, 1751.
- 25 x. RHODA, born Oct. 3, 1754.

\*20. MOSES<sup>4</sup> WESTOVER (*John<sup>3</sup>, Jonas<sup>2</sup>, Jonas<sup>1</sup>*), married Dec. 2, 1767 in Sheffield, Mass., to Elizabeth Holmes, daughter of John Holmes and Rachel Fellows.

Moses Westover served in the Revolutionary War. His service is as follows:

Moses Westover, a Private in Capt. Enoch Noble's Co., Col. John Ashley's (Berkshire) Co. Regt. Entered service Aug. 1, 1777, discharged Aug. 20, 1777. Service 20 days. Company marched to Bennington, Vt., by order of Brig. Gen. Fellows and Committee of Safety at request of Gen. Stark. Roll certified at Sheffield, Mass.

(Ref.: Mass. Soldiers and Sailors, Vol. 16, p. 922.)

Children of Moses Westover and Elizabeth (Holmes) Westover:

- 26 i. MOSES<sup>5</sup>, born Dec. 3, 1768.
- 27 ii. ASA, born Sept. 6, 1770.
- 28 iii. SILAS, born Jan. 30, 1772.
- 29 iv. JOHN, born Jan. 22, 1774.
- 30 v. AMASA, born May 15, 1776.
- \*31 vi. LYMAN, born Mar. 14, 1779.
- 32 vii. ELIZABETH, born Sept. 18, 1777; d. Mar. 9, 1778.
- 33 viii. CLARRY, born Nov. 28, 1780; d. Aug. 24, 1781.
- 34 ix. ELIZABETH, born Sept. 10, 1782.

\*31. LYMAN<sup>5</sup> WESTOVER (*Moses<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Jonas<sup>2</sup>, Jonas<sup>1</sup>*) was born Mar. 14, 1779, in Sheffield, Mass. He married Aug. 10, 1800 in Bethlehem, Conn., Polly McKean (Bethlehem Church Records). Lyman Westover was a clothier. He died and Polly married Peter Mitchell. She was born Aug. 11, 1777 in Guilford, Conn., the daughter of Barnabas McKean.

On July 8, 1810, Polly, wife of Lyman Westover was admitted as an adult to the First Presbyterian Church of the Village of Durham, Greene Co., N. Y.

Children of Lyman and Polly (McKean) Westover:

- 35 i. RANSOM FELLOWS<sup>6</sup>, a painter, last heard of 1865.
- \*36 ii. FREDERICK HOLMES, born in 1802.
- 37 iii. NELSON HALL, was in Rensselaerville, N. Y., in 1825. He died in Michigan.

Polly (McKean) Westover had children by Peter Mitchell as follows:

- 1. ALEXANDER, resided in Jamestown, Mercer Co., Pa. He married in 1844 a Rochester, N. Y., woman. She died Jan. 1, 1885 aged 60 yrs. They had 15 children.



2. ELIZA ANN married Mr. Hunter and lived in Cranbrook, Co. Huron, Ontario, Canada. They had a son Alexander, the oldest magistrate in the County. They had a daughter who married Frederick Price.

Mr. George Frederick Westover received several letters from his uncle Alexander Mitchell.

Polly (McKean) (Westover) Mitchell died at Burwick, Woodbridge Co., Ontario, Canada. Mr. Alexander Mitchell did not know much about his mother's first husband's people. He was under the impression that they were in Canada during the Revolution, but we have made a careful search in Vital Records, Wills and Deeds in Conn. and Berkshire Co., Mass., and in Greene Co., N. Y., and find they were in Sheffield, Mass., during the Revolution. Moses, the father of Lyman, served in the Revolution, as did Moses' wife's father.

\*36. FREDERICK HOLMES<sup>6</sup> WESTOVER (*Lyman*<sup>5</sup>, *Moses*<sup>4</sup>, *John*<sup>3</sup>, *Jonas*<sup>2</sup>, *Jonas*<sup>1</sup>) was born in 1802. He married Jan. 27, 1824 in Granby, N. Y., Phoebe Miller born in 1802, in Onondaga Co., N. Y., daughter of John and Margaret (Crossett) Miller. Frederick Holmes Westover died in 1874 in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. They are buried in Summit Cemetery, Lot 82. She died in 1882.

He was a whitesmith (which means tinsmith). He appears first in Manlius, Onondaga Co., N. Y., in a deed Mar. 23, 1842, when he was a grantee from Frederick Remington and Mary. (Deed Bk. 80, p. 341.)

Again Mar. 1, 1843, he is on a deed by Horace Seymour and Marie his wife to Arnold Remington of Manlius, consideration \$800, Lot No. 86 in Manlius. (Book 86, p. 410.) Again in 1846 he was a grantor.

Frederick Holmes Westover removed to Oconomowoc, Wis., and purchased a farm on Summit Road and what is now Route 30. He later sold 160 acres to Mr. Edwin Barnard, where his granddaughter now resides.

Children of Frederick Holmes Westover and Phoebe (Miller) Westover:

- 38 i. EDWIN<sup>7</sup>.
- 39 ii. CARLOS, born 1843; d. 1925; m. Elizabeth Comstock, d. 1927. Both are buried in Oconomowoc, Wis., in the La Belle Cemetery.
- 40 iii. J. HENRY.
- \*41 iv. GEORGE FREDERICK, born Aug. 18, 1834, Manlius, N. Y.
- 42 v. LOUISA C., born 1836; m. Lt. James E. Williams. His grave record in Summit Cemetery on Lot 82, the Westover lot reads as follows: "Lt. James E. Williams, Co. A., 4th Wis. Cavalry, killed in action at Baton Rouge, La., Mar. 8, 1864 aged 31 yrs. 1 mo. 3 days." He was moved from Lot 104. Louisa C. died Aug. 11, 1923 and is buried on Westover Lot No. 82, Summit Cemetery, at Oconomowoc, Wis.

- 43 vi. HARRIET, born 1832, Manlius, N. Y.; moved to Milwaukee, Wis.  
 44 vii. ANN ELIZA, born 1825;\* m. ——— Breed, resided in Milwaukee, Wis.

\*41. GEORGE FREDERICK<sup>7</sup> WESTOVER (*Frederick Holmes<sup>6</sup>, Lyman<sup>5</sup>, Moses<sup>4</sup>, John<sup>3</sup>, Jonas<sup>2</sup>, Jonas<sup>1</sup>*) was born at Manlius, N. Y., Aug. 18, 1834, the son of Frederick H. and Phoebe (Miller) Westover. He had but meager opportunities for the studies he craved, and at the age of nine years, he went to the West with Professor Bailey, of Manlius. The voyage from Buffalo, N. Y., to Milwaukee, Wis., was made by steamer, and in the latter city he made his home with a married sister and, later, with a friend of the family, Eli Bates, who was keeping the light-house on Lake Michigan at the then munificent salary of thirty-five dollars per month. Ever holding before him the beacon light of learning, Mr. Westover, through his own efforts, was enabled to attend Oberlin College and Milwaukee University, and to become instructor of Latin and Greek in the latter institution. He read law with Hon. Jason Downer and Leander Wyman, of Milwaukee, and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1859.

In the meantime, his parents had come from the East and had purchased a farm in Waukesha Co., Wisconsin, where Mr. Westover located. The Civil War came at that time, and Mr. Westover proffered his services to his country. He received an appointment in the Paymaster's Division, then before Vicksburg. He served throughout the war, and at its conclusion his health broke down and he was forced to recuperate for a short time. In 1866, he again took up the practice of his profession, being associated with D. W. Small, later Circuit Judge, in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. He became a member of the Chicago bar in 1874, making one of the firm of Shufeldt, Westover & Ball. When Judge Farlin Q. Ball was called to the bench, the partnership was Shufeldt & Westover, the former a brother of Admiral Shufeldt of the United States Navy, and of Henry H. Shufeldt, of Oconomowoc. Some years later Mr. Shufeldt retired and Mr. Westover then took into partnership Walter S. Carr, and the firm was continued as Westover & Carr. Follow-

\* A letter to the compiler from Mr. H. C. Durston, Sec. and Treas. of Manlius Old Boys Association, Manlius, N. Y., states:

I find an Ann E. Westover in the list of pupils of the Manlius Academy. Curiously in the later lists her name is spelled Weston. This may be an error in spelling or copying. The listings are as follows:

		Age
1835	Ann E. Westover	not stated
1836	list not immediately available	
1837	" " " "	
1838	" " " "	
1839	Ann E. Westover	14
1840	Ann E. Westover	15
1841	Ann E. Weston	16
1842	Ann E. Weston	17
1843	No Ann E's listed	
1844	" " " "	
1845	Harriet Westover	13

ing the death of Mr. Westover, Mr. Carr relinquished the practice of law and sought opportunities in the business world.

During his years of practice, Mr. Westover acted as counsel for many of the leading corporations of Chicago, one of them being the John V. Farwell Co., the head of the firm, John V. Farwell, Sr., being one of Mr. Westover's closest friends. In 1892, Mr. Westover went to London in order to make pleadings before an International Tribunal for Mr. Farwell's company.

In 1900, Mr. Westover virtually retired from the active pursuit of his profession, removing from his home at No. 1434 Astor St., Chicago, to a residence he had purchased on Lake LaBelle, Oconomowoc. There he took his recreation for many years with his motor boats and automobiles, giving legal advice to those who sought him there because of ability and his judgment on knotty points of law. He was ever an enthusiastic motorist, possessing one of the earliest models, and he drove his own car until a short time before his death. During the last five years of his life Mr. Westover passed much of his time in Los Angeles, California, from which place he continued as adviser of many large estates. At the age of eighty-seven years, he was directing affairs connected with the intricate estates of Emily and Henry H. Shufeldt, whose interests he had represented for half a century, until his death October 10, 1921.

Mr. Westover was a great lover of music, and in his youth he played the flute in friendly bands. Language, however, was his forte. He not only had a superior knowledge of the classics, but he was also fluent in French, Italian, Spanish, and German. He was a prolific writer on many subjects, and an interesting speaker before interested groups. Professionally, he gave much of his talent to those who appealed to him, ever radiating optimism and always seeing the brightest side, giving his services freely to those who were in need and did not have the financial ability to meet his regular charges.

Mary Eveline Drury, the daughter of Judge Drury, of Fond du Lac, Wis., was the first wife of Mr. Westover. She died shortly after her marriage, and her child, a daughter, died in infancy. On Apr. 14, 1868, Mr. Westover married (second) in Brooklyn, N. Y., Elizabeth Quackenbush Miller who met Mr. Westover while she was on a visit to the village of Oconomowoc for the purpose of seeing her brother Dr. Daniel MacLaren Miller, who had settled there after the Civil War, in which struggle he was a surgeon with a N. Y. regiment. Mrs. Westover was born in the city of New York in 1848, the daughter of Charles Smith and Vesta (MacLaren) Miller. She died in 1911 in Oconomowoc.

Mrs. Westover was descended from old Colonial stock, being a descendant of the families of Miller, Woodruff and MacLaren. One of her ancestors was John Woodruff, born in 1605, at Ford-

wich, England, who came to Mass. in 1640, and settled in Long Island, founding the Woodruff family in this country. He had two sons, each named John, who are noted in genealogical records; he died in 1670. Another ancestor of Mrs. Westover was Thomas Woodruff born 1722, died in 1804, an eminent judge, and member of the Committee of Correspondence in New Jersey during the War of the Revolution. Another of the ancestors of Mrs. Westover was Daniel MacLaren, a maternal grandfather, of ancient Highland clan, who came from Comrie, Scotland, in 1783, to the city of New York and located at No. 163 Broadway, the present site of the Singer Building.

Child of George Frederick Westover and Elizabeth Quackenbush (Miller) Westover:

- 45 i. VESTA MILLER<sup>s</sup> WESTOVER was born in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin. As a child she was brought by her parents to Chicago, where she received her early education. She married at St. George's in London, England, Aug. 1, 1892, to Harry Channon, of Chicago born in that city in 1868, the son of Henry Channon, a native of Bridgewater, England, born in 1832, died in Chicago in 1922. Before the great fire of Chicago, the senior Mr. Channon founded a ship chandlery business there, which later developed into the H. Channon Co. of Chicago. He also built the Henry Channon Building at the corner of Randolph and Lake streets. Mrs. Channon was ever interested in educational work, particularly in those studies relating to the French language. In 1904, without seeking any endowment, she founded the library of the Alliance Francaise, and in 1917 increased the collection of French volumes in that institution to ten thousand. By this and other notable efforts, she has been prominently identified with club and educational work in this country and on the European Continent. She was a member of the Allied Relief Committee of the Illinois Council of National Defense, and was a representative to the Congress of Allied Women on War Work held in Paris in 1918, her special interest being in the French Red Cross. For her great services, the French Government made Mrs. Channon an "Officier d'Academie" and "Officier de l'Instruction Publique." Mrs. Channon founded an American library in the University of Strasbourg, Alsace, Oct. 6, 1923. This library is being created as an American memorial to Pasteur. The collection is housed in two units; the larger one, being works of American literature and history, has been the means of establishing the "Institut Americain" of the University of Strasbourg.

Child of Harry Channon and Vesta Miller (Westover) Channon:

46. HENRY<sup>s</sup> CHANNON III, was born March 7, 1897, in Chicago, Ill., the son of Harry and Vesta Miller (Westover) Channon. During the World War, he served as second lieutenant in the American Red Cross of the American Expeditionary Forces. He holds a degree of Bachelor of Arts from Oxford University, England, granted to him in 1922, and a Master of Arts degree, conferred upon him in 1928. He has inherited, apparently, his talent for languages and writing from his maternal grand-

father, with whom he spent much of his childhood. Henry Channon III is making much headway in the field of fiction. He is a member of the English Parliament at present. He married in London, England, July 14, 1933, Lady Honor Guinness, daughter of the Earl and Countess of Iveagh. Their child:

47. HENRY PAUL GUINNESS<sup>10</sup> CHANNON, born in London, England, Oct. 10, 1935.

References: Conn. Probate at Hartford; Sheffield, Mass., Vital Records; Presbyterian Church, Durham, Greene Co., N. Y.; Records in Albany, N. Y., Archives; Bethlehem Church Records, Conn.; Simsbury, Conn., Vital Records; Deeds of Onondaga Co., N. Y.; Deeds of Greene Co., N. Y.; American Biographies; Hist. of Chicago; Obituary; letters from Alexander Mitchell; Abridged Compendium Vol. 2, p. 293, Vol. 6, p. 678.

## FELLOWS FAMILY

By MRS. WILLIAM WALLACE MCPHERSON, of Chicago, Ill.

William<sup>1</sup> Fellows was a Commoner of Ipswich, Mass., in 1641 and 1664. His will is dated Nov. 29, 1676 and proven Nov. 27, 1677.

His children were:

- 2 i. EPHRAIM<sup>2</sup>, m. Mary ———, died Feb. 23, 1671.
- 3 ii. SAMUEL.
- 4 iii. JOSEPH, m. Ruth ———.
- \*5 iv. ISAAC, m. 1672 Joanna Bourne.
- 6 v. MARY.
- 7 vi. ELIZABETH.
- 8 vii. ABIGAIL.
- 9 viii. SARAH.

\*5. ISAAC<sup>2</sup> FELLOWS (*William*<sup>1</sup>) was a voter in town affairs in Ipswich, Mass., in 1679, and possessed rights of Commonage in 1697-1707, and with title of Corporal had a seat appointed him in the Meeting House in 1700. He married Joanna Bourne, Jan. 29, 1672.

Their children were:

- 10 i. ISAAC<sup>3</sup>, born Nov. 27, 1672.
- \*11 ii. JOHN, born about 1673; m. Rachel Varney.\*
- 12 iii. SAMUEL, born Feb. 8, 1676.
- 13 iv. EPHRAIM, born Sept. 1679.
- 14 v. JONATHAN, born Sept. 28, 1682.
- 15 vi. JOANNA, born Nov. 19, 1689.

\*11. JOHN<sup>3</sup> FELLOWS (*Isaac*<sup>2</sup>, *William*<sup>1</sup>) was born in Ipswich, Mass., about 1673. He removed to Plainfield, Conn., where he made his will May 24, 1731. Some of his children are listed in the Plainfield, Conn., Vital Records. The rest appear in his will.

John Fellows married in Ipswich, Mass., 1692, Rachel Varney, daughter of Thomas Varney.

\* Hammett Papers state Jonathan m. Rachel Varney, but John's will and the Plainfield, Conn., and Ipswich, Mass., Vital Records prove it was John.

In the Name of God Amen. The twenty first day of May in ye fourth year of his Majesties Beign A.D. 1731.

I, John Fellows of Plainfield in the county of Windham in his Majesties Colony of Connecticut in New England yeoman being of perfect mind and memory, blessed be God, calling to mind mortality of my body and knowing it is appointed for all men, once to dye. I do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say principally and first of all, I give and recommend my soul into ye hands of God, that gave it. Hoping through ye merits and death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free pardon, of all sins and to have everlasting life, and my body I commit to ye grave to be decently buried at ye discretion of my executors hereafter named. Nothing doubting but at ye general resurrection I shall arise and come again by ye mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly estate, wherewith it had pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give devise and dispose of ye same in the following manner and form.

That is to say, I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Isaac Fellows my cane and sword which I value at twenty shillings in money, with what I have already given him in lands by deed of gift which makes up ye full of his portion.

Item. I give and bequeath to my beloved son John Fellows ten shillings in money to be paid by my executor (hereafter named), one year after my decease, which ten shillings with what I have already given him in land by Deed of Gift, which makes ye full of his portion.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Nathan Fellows and his heirs forever, all my lands in Plainfield or elsewhere (that have not already been given by Deeds of Gifts to my sons Isaac & John Fellows) with all ye buildings, furnishings and improvements thereon, continued with all my husbandry, tackling and tools to my son Nathan, he paying all my just debts and funeral charges and sd ten shillings before given to my son John Fellows, and also I give unto my son Nathan Fellows all of my moveable estate of what kind soever, he paying ye legacies hereafter given.

Item. I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Rachel Herick four pounds money or bills of published credit to be paid by my executors two years after my decease with four pounds what she hath already received which makes ye full of her portion.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Abigail Halls deceased children, ten pounds of money or bills of published credit to be equally divided amongst them and to be paid by my executor three years after my decease which ten pounds which makes up the full of their portion.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Mary Fellows thirty three pounds money to be paid by my executors with what she hath already received which makes up sixty pounds which is ye full of her portion.

Item. I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Ann Fellows thirty pounds money to be paid by my executor, with what she hath already received which makes up sixty pounds which is ye full of her portion.

And I do hereby ordain, constitute and appoint my said son Nathan Fellows, my sole executor of this my last Will and Testament.

And I do hereby disallow of all other will or wills by me heretofore made or willed. Ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and fixed my seal today and year first above written.

Sealed, published, pronounced and declared by John Fellows to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of

JOHN FELLOWS (SEAL)

Jonathan Doan  
John Welch  
John Crory



Their children were:

- 16 i. VARNEY<sup>4</sup>, born Mar. 25, 1694, in Plainfield, Conn. Records in Conn. Library, it reads this way: "Crarry, son of John & Rachel," but should be Varney, Vol. I p. 2, Ipswich Records.
- 17 ii. ISAAC, born Sept. 1696.
- 18 iii. RACHEL, born Oct. 22, 1698.
- 19 iv. ABIGAIL, born May 13, 1701; m. Samuel Hall.
- \*20 v. JOHN, born Mar. 3, 1703; m. Jerusha Douglas.
- 21 vi. NATHAN.
- 22 vii. MARY.
- 23 viii. ANNE.

\*20. JOHN<sup>4</sup> FELLOWS (*John<sup>3</sup>, Isaac<sup>2</sup>, William<sup>1</sup>*), born Mar. 3, 1703. He married in Plainfield, Conn., Oct. 27, 1728, to Jerusha Douglas, daughter of William Douglas and Sarah Caulkins.

The Last Will and Testament of John Fellows of Sheffield in ye County of Hampshire and Province of the Macichusets Bay in New England In ye name of God Amen.

I, John Fellows being sick and weak of body, but of sound mind and memory and knowing not how God Will please to Deal with me, do make and ordain my Last Will and Testament as followeth:

Imprimous. I give and bequeath my soul unto ye Lord Jesus Christ my Precious Redeemer in hopes of a joyfull resurrection and my bodey unto a Decent Buriall at ye discession of my Executors and touching my worldly goods and estate that God hath been pleased to bless me withall after my just debts and funerall charges are paid.

Item. I give unto my dear wife Jerusha Fellows one third part of all my lands & meadows of all sorts except the farm I bought of Samuel Stephens with the one third part of my dwelling house and barn for her improvement during her natural life and one third part of all my household stuff indore moveables with two good cows and a good riding horse and ten sheep and a good side saddle. I give unto my wife forever to be att her dispose as she shall see cause.

Item. I give my son Ezra Fellows besides what lands I have already given him forty five acres of lands att the north end of my farm and also one third part of my wright in my sawmill one yoke of oxen with yoke and chain one cow, one two year old heifer and fifteen sheep and fifty bushels of wheat and sixty bushels of oats. I give to my sd son and to his heirs forever.

Item. I give unto my dafter Rachel Holms besides what I have already given her, twenty pounds lawful money to be paid by my executor as hereafter.

Item. I give unto my dafter Sarah Fellows sixty pounds lawful money to be paid by my executor as hereafter.

Item. I give unto my son John Fellows, two thirds of all my farm that I now live on west of Sheffield, except what I have given to my son Ezra already with two thirds of my now dwelling house and barn I give unto my son and his heirs forever; and also after my wife deceeeth I give unto my sd son all the meadows and lands and my whole house and barn which I gave unto her during her life to him, his heirs forever. Also all my stock all my catel, and horses, sheep and hogs and also all my moveable estates, both indores and out besides what I have already given away. Also my negro man Cuf with all my wright in the Iron works and one third part of my wright in my sawmill to him, his heirs forever, except what I shall hereafter appoint him to pay out as my Executor.

Item. I give unto my son William Fellows all my lands lying in the township of Sheffield, aches divided and undivided and also the use of the

improvement of sd land to be given to him, when he is of the age of twenty and one years and also one yoke of oxen worth ten pounds lawfull money and one horse worth ten pounds lawful money, and a good sadel and fifteen sheep and also all my Wright of Lands purchased of the Indians lying in Toekonnack Mountain, and also thirty pounds lawful money to be paid By my Executor to him when he is of age of twenty and one years. I give it unto my sd son and his heirs forever and also one third part of my wright in the sawmill. And further more I do appoint my wife Jerusha Fellows and my son John Fellows to be Executors to this my last Will and Testament and I order my son John Fellows to pay out of what I have given him, unto my daffer Rachel Holms ten pounds to be paid in household stuff to be paid in one year after my decease and ten pounds in money to be paid within two years after my decease; and also to my daffer Sarah Fellows, thirty pounds to be paid in household stuff and in stock within one year after my decease and thirty pounds in money within two years after my decease; and Also to pay unto my son William Fellows, when he the sd William come to the age of twenty and one years, thirty pounds in money and let him have one yoke of oxen worth ten pounds and one horse worth ten pounds and a good sadle and fifteen sheep; and also I order him to let Hannah Douglass have a cow within one year after my decease; and in Confirmation that this is my last Will and Testament, I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this thirtyeth day of August A.D. 1757.

Signed, sealed and delivered

in Presence of

JOHN FELLOWS

(SEAL)

William Corpe

Samuel Austen

William Coit

Hampshire SS May 16th, 1758.

The foregoing Will was presented for Probate by the Executors therein named and Samuel Austin and William Coit two of the witnesses to the same appearing made Oath that they saw Capt. John Fellows the Testator sign and seal and heard him pronounce and declare the same to be his last Will & Testament & that he was of sound mind and memory when he did it and that they with William Corpe all signed as witnesses to the same at the same time, in presence of sd Testator and of each other wherefore at a Court of Probate holden at Northampton within and for the County of Hampshire on the Second Tuesday of June being the 13th day of sd month Anno Dom. 1758. The foregoing will is ratified approved and confirmed as the last will and testament of said deceased.

Timothy Dwight Esqr.

Judge of sd. Court.

It may be interesting here to note how we proved Rachel Fellows, the wife of John Holmes to be the daughter of John Fellows Sr. We knew that John Holmes married a Rachel Fellows in Salisbury, Litchfield Co., Conn., and that the Holmes Genealogy stated she was supposed to be the sister of Major-Gen. John Fellows. There was no proof, since the births of John Holmes' children by Rachel were recorded in Sheffield, Berkshire Co., Mass. We first studied deeds in the Great Barrington Registry, where the Sheffield Deeds are recorded. There we found a Deed of Mar. 15, 1757 between John Fellows of Sheffield, Hampshire Co., and son Ezra (Berkshire County was formed from Hampshire County). This deed shows this John to be

John Sr., for John Jr. would not have been old enough to have had a deed with his son in Mar. 25, 1765. John Holmes signed in Canaan. (Book 2, p. 584.)

On June 5, 1789, Ezra Fellows of Sheffield, Mass., brother of John Fellows, did hold by last Will and Testament (or otherwise) of Honored father John deceased. (Book 5, p. 427.)

Matthew Van Gidden to Ezra Fellows and John Holmes Jr. Egremont June 3, 1774. This Deed shows Holmes-Fellows connection, for Ezra Fellows was uncle of John Holmes Jr. as will be shown later.

Since a will of John Fellows, Sr., was mentioned and there was none in Pittsfield, Mass., Probate, covering Berkshire County, and since Berkshire was formed from Hampshire County and the wills of Berkshire prior to 1790 are in Hampshire County at Northampton; there we found the will of John Fellows made Aug. 30, 1757, and probated May 16, 1758.

We then went to Springfield, Mass., to search the Land Registry for the early deeds of Sheffield, Mass., which are at Springfield because Berkshire was formed from Hampshire County. Springfield, now in Hampden County, was in the old Hampshire County. There we found a deed between Israel Williams and John Fellows of Plainfield in the County of Windham, New England. (Ref.: Deed Book S., p. 38.) This proves that John Fellows of Plainfield was the John Fellows of Sheffield. Nov. 4, 1749, he had a deed with wife Jerusha.

Their children were:

- 24 i. EZRA, born in Plainfield.
- 25 ii. RACHEL, born Jan. 3, 1732 in Plainfield; m. John Holmes in Salisbury, Conn., which is near Sheffield, Mass.
- 26 iii. SARAH.
- 27 iv. MAJOR-GEN. JOHN FELLOWS, born in Plainfield, Conn. He served in the Revolution. Several have joined the D. A. R. through him, but they have his birth Pomfret instead of Plainfield.
- 28 v. WILLIAM.

## DIKE-DYKE NOTES

By WINIFRED LOVERING HOLMAN, S.B., of Watertown, Mass.<sup>(1)</sup>

In an attempt to secure some clue to the identity of Experience, wife of Jacob Chamberlain, a brief investigation was made in regard to her second husband, Jonathan Dike and his immediate family.

<sup>(1)</sup> This is a brief account and no really exhaustive work has been accomplished.

JONATHAN<sup>3</sup> DIKE (*Anthony*<sup>2</sup>, *Capt. Anthony*<sup>1</sup>), born in Salem, Mass., 28 Mar. 1673, died in Newton, Mass., between 11 Apr. 1750 and 25 Nov. 1751, testate. He married first, in Salem, as "of Ipswich," 8 Dec. 1698, by Rev. Joseph Green, BETHIAH<sup>2</sup> BAKER, baptised in Beverly, Mass., 27 May 1677, died in Newton, as "Goody" Dike, 7 June 1716, daughter of Cornelius and Hannah (Woodbury) Baker.<sup>(2)</sup> He married secondly, perhaps in Newton, between 1716 and 1738, Experience (——) Chamberlain, born (by age at death) 22 Mar. 1666, who died in Newton, 24 May 1749, aged eighty-three years, two months and two days, widow of Jacob Chamberlain.<sup>(3)</sup>

21 Jan. 1723-1724, Jonathan Dike of Newton, cooper, bought land there of Ebenezer Wilson, the Greenwoods witnessed; and when Dike sold land there to Edward Hall, 15 May 1738, his wife Experience quit her rights; recorded 1744. Benjamin Dike of Beverly, cooper, bought land in Billerica, in 1748, etc. (*Middlesex Deeds*).<sup>(4)</sup>

The will of Jonathan Dike of Newton, Cooper, 11 Apr. 1750, proved 25 Nov. 1751, names three daughters: Bethiah Hastens, Abigail Brown and Priscilla Stone; two sons: Jonathan and Benjamin, and they to be executors; signs; witnessed by John and Abigail Wilson and Ephraim Bacon. Executors' bond cites Jonathan Dike of Newton, Taylor, and Benjamin Dike of Union, Conn., and both sign the bond. (*Middlesex Probate*, 6277.)

Children of Jonathan and Bethiah (Baker) Dike:

- i. JONATHAN<sup>4</sup>, b. about 1700, d. 29 Mar. 1759, intestate, *tailor*. Newton<sup>(5)</sup>; m. (1), 11 Nov. 1725, Norwich, Conn., MARY EDGERTON, who d. 1737-1742; he m. (2), 28 Oct. 1742, Newton, HANNAH HIDE, who survived. Children (Dike), all but last b. Norwich, by Mary, (1) *Jonathan Jr.*<sup>5</sup>, b. 2 Nov. 1726, d. 1748, intestate, tanner, Newton, unmarried; (2) *Gideon*, b. 18 Oct. 1728, living 1759, Norwich, a weaver; (3) *Sarah*, b. 5 May 1731, n. c. m. 1759; (4) *Bethiah*, b. 26 Aug. 1732; m. Nathan Hide, living 1759; (5) *Cornelius*, b. 27 Feb. 1734-35, d. y.; (6) *Irene*, b. 24 Apr. 1737, living 1759; by Hannah, (7) *Hannah*, b. 16 Jan. 1743-44, Newton; m. there, 2 Sept. 1762, John Adams.
- ii. BETHIAH, b. 9 Feb. 1703-04, Beverly, Essex County, Mass.; alive 1750; m. ——— HASTINGS.
- iii. ABIGAIL, bapt. 1 Dec. 1706, First Church Beverly, alive 1750; m. 12 Dec. 1730, Newton, ABRAHAM BROWN.
- iv. PRISCILLA, b. 18 Dec. 1708, Beverly, alive 1750; m. 16 Aug. 1732, Newton, SIMON STONE.
- v. BENJAMIN, b. about 1712, living 1751, Union, Conn.<sup>(6)</sup>

(2) Vide Perley's *History of Salem*, 1: 206; *Essex Antiquarian*, 5: 163; 11: 72.

(3) Experience (——) (Chamberlain) Dike has no recorded estate.

(4) Benjamin was probably Jonathan's brother, b. 22 Feb. 1679-80, Salem. All the early Dike-Dyke deeds in both Essex and Middlesex Counties should be examined as also the probate records in the former source.

(5) By an error the two separate Jonathan Dike estates, father, 1759, and son, 1748, are in one File, No. 6276, Middlesex Probate Registry. The compiler has called attention of the authorities there to this fact.

(6) Nathan Dike son of Jabez and Esther, b. 26 Nov. 1751, Union, Conn.

No really exhaustive research has been made in regard to the above children and their parents. The compiler welcomes additions and corrections to this very brief account.

Jonathan Dike, tailor of Newton, d. there, 29 Mar. 1759, and a warrant for distribution, 5 Nov. 1759, mentions a widow. The inventory of the real estate of Mr. Jonathan Dike deceased, cites a mansion house, etc., in Newton, set off to Gideon Dike, the only surviving son and he to pay in equal shares to Sarah, Bethiah, Irenah and Hannah, his sisters, 12 Nov. 1759. The heirs are listed as Gideon Dike, Nathan Hide, Israel Stowel as Guardian for Hannah, and Irena Dike. Another such list, dated 13 Nov. 1759, gives; Gideon, Sarah, *n. c. m.*, Bethiah Hide, Irena Dike and Hannah Dike. Assignee's bond of 10 Nov. 1759 cites Gideon Dike as of Norwich, Conn., weaver. Another paper deals with the estate of Jonathan Dike, late of Newton, "Taylor" deceased.

28 Mar. 1748, Jonathan Dike, "Taylor" with Caleb Fuller, weaver, and Daniel Cook, yeoman, all of Newton, as his sureties, was appointed administrator of the estate of his son, Jonathan Dike, late of said Newton, "Tanner" deceased; and signed the bond.

### ✓ PRENCE FREEMAN OF EAST HAMPTON, CONNECTICUT

Compiled by HOMER WORTHINGTON BRAINARD, A.B., of Amherst, Mass.

[Concluded from Vol. 17, p. 95]

PRENCE FREEMAN (*Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born in Harwich, Mass., Jan. 3, 1689/90; died in the East Hampton parish of Middletown-Chatham, Conn., April 14, 1769 aged 79 years, 3 months; married March 20, 1711/12 Mary Doane, born Nov. 15, 1691; date of her death not found; daughter of Joseph and Mary (Godfrey) Doane of Eastham.

Prence Freeman settled in Harwich, where his children were born. After 1743 and probably before 1748 he removed to Middletown, Conn., settling in the part of the town east of the Connecticut river, in the parish of East Hampton. This parish was incorporated in 1743, but Prence Freeman was not among the first settlers in the parish. Mrs. Mary Freeman received a letter of dismissal from the church in Harwich to Middletown in 1748. Evidently the family had removed to Connecticut not long before. He left no will, and there is no administration.

Deeds on record in the city of Middletown show that Prence Freeman owned land in East Hampton parish which he conveyed to his son Moses in 1760.

Children: Nathaniel, b. March 9, 1712/13, m. Martha Brown; Priscilla, b. May 6, 1715, m. March 11, 1736/7, Seth Winslow of Harwich as second wife; Hatsel, b. March, 1716/17, d. July, 1739; Hannah, b. May 31, 1719, perhaps m. Dec. 16, 1742, Theophilus Mayo of Boston; Mary, b. 1721, m. March 17, 1745, Isaac Smith, and removed to East Hampton parish; Susannah, b. May, 1723, m. Sept. 24, 1747, at Middle Haddam, Conn., William Taylor,\* and d. Oct. 12, 1749, leaving a son John (b. June 22, 1748); Barnabas, b. Feb. 20, 1724, m. Anne ———; Keziah, b. Oct. 1726, m. March 3, 1748, Johnson Pelton of Middle Haddam, Conn.; Moses, b. Nov. 11, 1730, m. Susannah Brooks; Elizabeth, b. Oct. 15, 1732 or 1733, m. at Middle Haddam, July 25, 1751, Isaac Merrick. The five younger children were baptized at Harwich (now Brewster) in June, 1740.

NATHANIEL FREEMAN (*Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born at Harwich, Mass., March 9, 1712/13; died in Middle Haddam, Conn., Sept. 16, 1791 and was buried in the old cemetery on Hog Hill in Middle Haddam parish; m. probably in 1739 (intention dated Feb. 19, 1736/7, Eastham-Orleans records) Martha Brown, born about 1720; died at Middle Haddam March 31, 1801 aged 81; daughter of Samuel Brown of Eastham.

Nathaniel Freeman was baptized and united with the church at Harwich (Brewster), June 1, 1740, and united with the church at Middle Haddam, Feb. 5, 1749, his wife having united April 27, 1746. His removal to Connecticut must have been between 1740 and 1746. He is said to have been a mariner before removal, and this is possible, although direct evidence has not been discovered. He seems to have had land as soon as he arrived there. Later he was justice of the peace; was Deputy to the General Assembly in 1761 and 1769, and first County Judge of Middlesex County in 1785. His will, dated 1787, kept at State Library, Hartford, is much damaged and cannot be examined. The recorded copy in Middletown is complete.

That his wife was Martha Dunham was stated in Davis' *Landmarks of Plymouth*, Second edition, and has been copied in the *Brainerd Genealogy* of 1908 and elsewhere. It is an error, as the Eastham record shows: "Feb. 19, 1736/7 then entered Intentions of marriage of Nathaniel Freeman of Harwich and Martha Brown of Eastham to proceed in marriage." Eastham and Orleans Vital Records in *Mayflower Descendant*, Vol. 28, p. 180.

Children: Sylvanus, b. April 16, 1740, m. Leah Brainerd; Martha, b. July 22, 1742, m. Jabez Arnold; Priscilla, b. Sept. 24, 1744, m. Jonathan Burr; Lydia, b. Oct. 17, 1746, d. young;

\* William Taylor m. (2) Mrs. Ruth Rich and removed to Simsbury-Canton, Conn.



Hatsuld, b. Dec. 18, 1749, d. Nov. 1, 1774, m. Martha ———; Nathaniel, b. Nov. 8, 1751, d. Oct. 31, 1799, m. Livia Cornwall; Samuel Brown Prence, bapt. Aug. 18, 1754, d. young or unmarried; Lydia, bapt. Aug. 29, 1756, d. young; Mehitabel, bapt. July 9, 1758, m. ——— Smith; Mary, bapt. Oct. 23, 1763; m. ——— Talbot (perhaps Talcot or Tarbox).

BARNABAS FREEMAN (*Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born in Harwich, Mass., Feb. 20, 1724/5; died in Middle Haddam parish between 1798 and 1800; married Anne ———, who was living Aug. 11, 1800, and perhaps in 1803.

Deeds on record at Middletown, Conn., show that on Feb. 23, 1760 Prence Freeman conveyed to Moses Freeman Lot 223 in the Three Miles Division, with a house thereon. On Feb. 25, 1771, Moses Freeman conveyed to Barnabas Freeman four acres in East Hampton parish. In 1772 Barnabas was surveyor of highways (Chatham town record). On Jan. 25, 1786, Nathan Eddy conveyed to Barnabas five acres of land in Middle Haddam parish, encumbered by the thirds or dower of Lydia Rich (Lydia Young Rich, widow of John). This Barnabas conveyed to his son Simeon Freeman, Aug. 25, 1795, who on the same day gave his father a life lease, "to farm let," the deed describing Barnabas as "Captain." This arrangement did not last long, for on Oct. 22, 1796, Simeon Freeman conveyed the property back to Barnabas, described in the deed as 30 acres with a house. After about two years Barnabas on March 30, 1798, sold the same property to his nephew, Nathaniel Freeman, Jr., and appears no more on the record. (Chatham Deeds, vols. 8 and 9). From these records it appears that Barnabas Freeman at first lived on a farm in East Hampton parish with his brother Moses and probably their father, and later removed to another farm in Middle Haddam parish. During this time he was frequently absent upon fishing or trading voyages. It does not appear that he was in the foreign trade.

The widow Anne Freeman was baptized and admitted to the church in Middle Haddam Congregational church, Aug. 11, 1800.

The census of 1790 for Chatham, Conn., gives the family of Barnabas Freeman as one male over 16, one male under 16, and five females. The census of 1800 for Chatham gives the family of Anne Freeman as one male 16 to 26, one female 16 to 26, and one female over 45, probably herself and a married son and his wife.

The Rev. John Norton, first minister of the church in East Hampton, kept a careful church record, a portion of which escaped a fire, and has been printed. He recorded *birth* of a daughter of Barnabas and Ann Freeman April 29, 1765; another daughter born Jan. 18, 1767; a son born March 11, 1769; a

daughter born Sept. 17, 1771.\* Unfortunately their names or baptisms were not given, but from other sources the family has been reconstructed.

Children: Simeon, b. about 1763, m. Jemima Sutton; Vesta, b. April 29, 1765, m. John Goff, Jr.; Hannah, b. Jan. 18, 1767, m. Dec. 13, 1786, Oliver Jones of Hebron, Conn., was "of Chatham" per her marriage record, and d. April 20, 1840, aged 73; Achsah (or Susannah), b. ———, m. Oct. 21, 1804, Thomas Rich, son of Cornelius Rich, Jr.; Chloe, b. ———, m. April 27, 1807, Abijah Markham; Barnabas, Jr., b. March 11, 1769, d. at Canton, Conn., Jan. 12, 1831, aged 62, married Hannah Needham, according to the record, probably a mistake for Fanny Markham, as no Needham family is known. Fanny wife of Barnabas Freeman, Jr., died at Canton, Conn., Sept. 5, 1850, aged 78 years. Orin B. Freeman was son and only heir.

MOSES FREEMAN (*Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born in Harwich, Mass., Nov. 11, 1730; died at sea shortly before June 3, 1782; married Aug. 28, 1755, Susannah Brooks, born in Haddam, Conn., Aug. 1, 1732; died there Feb. 12, 1783 in 51st year; daughter of Capt. Abraham and Martha (Porter) Brooks of Haddam. Her gravestone in the old cemetery in the center of Haddam is inscribed "Wife of Capt. Moses Freeman."

Moses Freeman sold his interest in the farm in East Hampton parish to his brother Barnabas in 1771, and probably thereafter made his home when ashore at Middle Haddam or Haddam. By this time he had become a master of a vessel and made frequent voyages. He was lost at sea on the voyage which was to be his last. Mrs. Susannah Freeman was appointed guardian to Joseph, minor son of Moses Freeman, deceased.

On Nov. 12, 1788, Mary Freeman, Amasa(?) Brown and Jerusha his wife, all of Colchester, Stephen and Lydia Bailey, and Martha Bailey, all of Haddam, Joseph Freeman of New Haven in Vermont, and Cynthia Freeman of Haddam, convey land in Haddam to Jonathan Brooks. (Haddam Deeds, vol. 12, p. 115.)

Children: Mary, b. Sept. 27, 1756, unmarried in 1788; Lydia, b. Dec. 29, 1758, m. Stephen Bailey of Haddam, b. Feb. 13, 1760; Martha, b. about 1760; m. Jeremiah Bailey, b. Oct. 19, 1758, son of Gideon and Sarah Bailey of Haddam; Jerusha, b. about 1763, m. Amasa Brown of Colchester and Meriden, Conn.; Moses, b. Oct. 7, 1765, d. Aug. 7, 1768; Joseph, b. Sept. 9, 1767, m. Sylvia Newman; Cynthia, b. Sept. 29, 1769, m. Joseph Southmayd of Durham, Conn.

SYLVANUS FREEMAN (*Nathaniel, Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born in Harwich, Mass., April 16, 1740;

\* See 150th Anniversary of the Congregational Church of East Hampton, Conn., 1898.

died at Butternuts, Otsego County, N. Y.; married Oct. 30, 1758, Leah Brainerd, born Dec. 12, 1740; daughter of Abijah and Thankful (Fuller) Brainerd of Haddam Neck, Conn.

Sylvanus Freeman lived at Chestnut Hill in the parish of East Hampton, town of Chatham. In 1772 he sold land to his father, but did not leave the town until after 1800, when he removed to Butternuts, N. Y. Served for 5 days in the Lexington Alarm company from East Hampton in 1775.

Children: Charity, bapt. Sept. 23, 1759 (Middle Haddam church record), d. Oct. 25, 1841 near Georgetown, Ohio, m. May 30, 1775, Israel Jennings,\* b. at North Sea, Southampton, L. I., June 25, 1745, d. July 23, 1830, near Georgetown, Ohio; Lydia, bapt. Aug. 31, 1760, m. Abner Cole; Leah, bapt. Dec. 4, 1763, d. July 6, 1766; Sylvanus, Jr., b. May 29, 1765, m. Jan. 1, 1787, Huldah Goff; he conveyed land with a house in East Hampton parish to Chauncey Bulkley, March 6, 1797; Thankful, b. April 25, 1767, m. Feb. 10, 1793, Enos Bigelow of Colchester, Conn.; Martha, b. April 25, 1767; Leah, b. Feb. 26, 1769; Philena or Paulina, b. Jan. 24, 1771, m. Nov. 8, 1795, Godfrey Haupt, sometimes called Hopkins, a man of German origin, living in East Hampton, had a family; Festus, b. 1778, drowned at Saybrook, Conn., Sept. 21, 1798; Hatsell, drowned with his brother Festus.

HATSULD FREEMAN, brother of Sylvanus, born Dec. 18, 1749, probably in Middle Haddam, died there Nov. 1, 1774; m. Martha ———; had a son Hatsuld, bapt. April 9, 1775, living in 1787, mentioned in the will of his grandfather.

NATHANIEL FREEMAN, brother of Sylvanus and Hatsuld, born in Middle Haddam, Nov. 8, 1751; died there Oct. 31, 1799; m. March 26, 1787, Livia Cornwall, daughter of Elisha and Ann (Johnson) Cornwall, erroneously called "Lura" in the Cornwall Genealogy. Nathaniel Freeman, Jr., was a skilled physician, but a reserved and somewhat arrogant man. Children: Annie, b. April 10, 1793, died July 4, 1843, at Brooklyn Village, Ohio, m. Nov. 27, 1810, Stephen Brainerd, son of Nathan Brainerd; Charles, b. ———, m. Dorothy ——— and d. before Aug. 27, 1809, at which date his widow m. John Jeweller, and removed to Thetford, Vt. Livia, widow of Dr. Nathaniel Freeman, m. Aug. 21, 1800, Dr. Benajah Mynard, who died Sept. 13, 1852, while on a visit to Middle Haddam, and was buried on "Hog Hill."

SIMEON FREEMAN (*Barnabas, Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born about 1763; died about Aug. 1808; married

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\* Their eldest son, Israel Jennings, b. July 3, 1776, was the great-grandfather of William Jennings Bryan.

Jemima Sutton, only daughter of Dr. David Sutton of Hebron, Conn. Dr. David Sutton in will dated Jan. 28, 1804, leaves all his estate, both real and personal, in trust, for the benefit of Jemima Freeman during her natural life and of her present children. A distribution, dated Oct. 5, 1818, was made to her children William, Seth, David S., Phebe and Henry Freeman. Mrs. Freeman was wife of ——— Tarbox in 1822.

Dr. David Sutton was born Dec. 26, 1736 in Hebron, Conn., son of Seth Sutton and Mary his wife. Seth Sutton died in Hebron April 18, 1784; had ten children recorded at Hebron. David Sutton m. June 25, 1769, Mrs. Phebe Peters, and was father of Jemima, wife of Simeon Freeman.

The Dr. David Sutton place is now in Andover, formerly the northern part of Hebron. It is supposed that Simeon Freeman and his family resided here, certainly his widow and children did so after his death. Simeon Freeman took the freeman's oath at Hebron, April 8, 1805. A few years before, Dr. Sutton conveyed to him land and house "In consideration of his discharging me from all demands on account of labor and expense in building a part of my present dwelling house, the south end and half of said new part, with use of well, cellar and way to chamber." Simeon mortgaged house and barn. Jan. 2, 1807, he and wife Jemima leased 100 acres of land; he was chosen inspector and packer of provisions. In an account book begun by Capt. Roger Phelps occurs Simeon's signature under date of 1806 in settlement of an account involving two bushels of quinces, a large wheel and other things. It is clear that Simeon Freeman carried on general farming while he lived in Hebron. No record of the births of his children appears upon the town records. (Hebron Deeds, vols. 10, 11, 14.)

Children: William, b. about 1791; Seth, b. about 1793, and on Feb. 19, 1822, being then of Columbia, Herkimer Co., N. Y., conveyed to David S. Freeman of Marlborough "the same and all the land given to my honored mother Jemima Freeman, now Jemima Tarbox, and to her then children David S., William, Seth, Henry and Phebe Freeman by David Sutton's last will, 30 acres (Hebron Deeds, vol. 14, p. 166); David Sutton, b. July 25, 1795, m. Mary Robinson; Phebe, b. ———, perhaps m. Nov. 1821, Ichabod Watrous of Hebron; Henry, b. ———, who, being of German Flats, Herkimer county, N. Y., on April 2, 1822, conveyed to his brother Seth of Columbia, N. Y., his share of his grandfather's bequest (Hebron Deeds, vol. 14, p. 176); Samuel, b. ———, m. Elizabeth Osterhout; Mary, b. ———; Simeon, b. Oct. 21, 1808.

ISRAEL FREEMEN, birth date and parentage not recorded, but perhaps youngest son of Barnabas and Anne Freeman, died in 1832; married June 26, 1816, Deborah Goff, born ———, d.

———; daughter of Jacob and Sally (Taylor) Goff of Middle Haddam.

Children: Louisa, b. Feb. 3, 1820, m. John E. Brainerd of Maromas in Middletown, Conn., d. Jan. 20, 1877; Sarah, b. ———, m. Dana Bailey of Clinton, Conn.; Anne, b. ———, m. Alexander Reid, for many years a grocer in Bridgeport, Conn.; Mary, b. ———, m. John Earle Johnson of Cherry Tree, Pa.; John M., b. ———, d. of cholera in Carson Valley, Nevada, in 1850, his name being in a List of the First Company of Utah Pioneers led by Brigham Young into the Salt Lake Valley in July, 1847, published in *Utah Gen. & Hist. Magazine*, vol. 4 (1913); Julia, b. ———, m. Civilious Bailey.

There were several persons named Freeman other than those herein named in Middle Haddam, East Hampton and Colchester, Conn., but it can be shown that they were descendants neither of Prence Freeman nor of Edmund Freeman.

JOSEPH FREEMAN (*Moses, Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born probably in Haddam, Conn., Sept. 9, 1767; died at Romeo, Mich., Sept. 4, 1845 (or 1846); married, probably in Vermont, Sylvia Newman.

He left home early and went to Vermont, perhaps with some of his mother's relatives; in 1788 he was of New Haven, Vt. His granddaughter, Lydia Bailey, daughter of Asahel and Cynthia (Freeman) Bailey, wrote in 1898 that her grandfather Joseph Freeman went to Berkshire, Vt., and from there to Richmond, Ontario county, N. Y., and thence to Romeo, Mich.

Children: Benjamin, m. and had Arad, Green, Oren, Enos, Jackson,\* Hannah, d. young, Edgar, Ellen, Hannah 2nd, and Gad; Clarissa, m. Edmund Steward and had John, William, Chloe, Sarah, Hannah, Sylvia Burr, Emeline, and Marshall; Phebe, m. Joel Howell, and had Asel, Sarah, Joseph, and Orlando; Cynthia, m. Asahel Bailey, son of Stephen and Lydia (Freeman) Bailey, and had six children, some of whom lived or died in Meriden, Conn. (Stephen Bailey removed from Haddam to Meriden and d. in Romeo, Mich., July 4, 1842, aged 82 years, his wife Lydia Freeman d. in Michigan April 8, 1848, aged 90 years); Moses, m. and had Archibald, Newman, Harriet, and Matilda; Amanda, m. Chauncey Bailey, and had Harriet, Selden, Havilah, Emeline, and Edward; Sarah, m. John Proctor, and had Matilda, Luther, Benjamin, Susan, John, George, and Ellen; Marilla, twin with Sarah, m. John Rattray or Rottroy, and had Henry, James, and another; Mylia, m. John A. Warner, of Berlin, Mich., and had Hatsel H., Asahel or Ansel, Emma,

\* Jackson Freeman m. July 1, 1853, Manilla Vinton, b. 19 Oct. 1833 in Penfield, N. Y., daughter of David and Amanda (Galpin) Vinton of Vernon, N. Y.; later of near Romeo, Washington twp., Macomb Co., Mich.



Sylvester, Abby or Adeline, and Charles; Matilda, m. Dr. C. Carpenter, and had Harvey; Amos, m. and had Narissa, Dwight, Ellen, Harmon, and Elliott.

DAVID SUTTON FREEMAN (*Simeon, Barnabas, Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born in Hebron, Conn., July 25, 1795; married July 30, 1820, Mary Robinson. They lived in Hebron and Marlborough, Conn. Children: Mary Ann b. May 26, 1821; Marie, b. March 1, 1823; Helen Grief, b. March 16, 1825; Sarah Gardner, b. June 17, 1827, m. ——— Holmes and lived at Meriden, Conn.; Norman, b. June 13, 1829, lived at Plainville, Conn.; Emma Sophia, b. Oct. 24, 1831, m. ——— Bulkeley and was mother of the late George G. Bulkeley of Rocky Hill, Conn., who told the writer in 1910 that he had traced three of Simeon Freeman's sons in New York State, and that some of their descendants were living there in 1910.

SAMUEL FREEMAN, brother of David S. Freeman, died Jan. 2, 1880, in German Flats, N. Y.; married Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Ann Osterhout; d. Nov. 20, 1885.

He settled in German Flats in 1820. *History of Herkimer County, N. Y.*, by George A. Hardin and others, published in 1893, Pt. 2, pp. 139-140, states that Samuel's father was David Freeman who was born and died in Connecticut and raised six children, Samuel, David, Henry, Seth, Mary and Phebe, all of whom came to Herkimer county. These six are evidently children of Simeon and Jemima (Sutton) Freeman of Hebron, hence it is clear that the *History of Herkimer County* is in error as to the father of Samuel, who must have been Simeon. Children: Henry, Louisa, Caroline, David, b. in German Flats, near Fox Hollow, June 18, 1836, Anson, Joseph, and Rosell.

SIMEON FREEMAN, brother of David Sutton and Samuel Freeman, was born at Schuyler, Herkimer County, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1808; married Almira daughter of Elijah and Abigail Albee. Two months before his birth his father died, leaving seven older children. When he was but a few months old his mother returned to Connecticut. When Simeon was sixteen years old, he came to Chenango County, N. Y., and about 1830 settled in the town of Tuscarora, N. Y., with Rev. Aaron Baxter and his son Ira. Children: George H., Phebe, m. Capt. Daniel N. Aldrich, who died in the service; and Samuel D., who d. in infancy. (*Historical Gazetteer of Steuben County, N. Y.*, by Millard F. Roberts, Syracuse, N. Y., 1891, Pt. 1, pp. 509-510.) George H. Freeman m. Esther A., daughter of William and Elizabeth Churchill of Big Flats, Chemung Co., N. Y., and had Estella A. and Frank R. Freeman.



DAVID FREEMAN, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Osterhout) Freeman, b. in German Flats, June 18, 1836; married July 3, 1856, Lucretia daughter of Christian F. Bronner, a farmer of Stark, N. Y.

David Freeman had a little education in the district school and at the age of nine left home to make his own living and worked on farms wherever he could. At twenty-one he learned the carpenter's trade. Aug. 29, 1864 he enlisted in the navy on the gun boat *Dragone* and served in Chesapeake Bay, returning after a year to Stark, N. Y., where he spent most of his life; held town and local offices. Children: Rozeltha, m. Lewis H. Backus; Cynthia A., m. Franklin House; and Floyd V.

ARAD FREEMAN (*Benjamin, Joseph, Moses, Prence, Thomas, John, Edmund, Edmund*), born in Onondaga County, N. Y., Feb. 26, 1815, died in Ray Township, Mich., April 16, 1897, aged 91? years, really 82 years if birth date is right; married Catherine Jewell in 1838. He came to Michigan with his parents in 1825 and in 1838 began life as a pioneer in the wilderness fifteen miles from Grand Rapids. A year later he moved to Macomb County and bought a farm in Section 16, Ray township, where he resided until his death. His father, Benjamin Freeman, built the first house and barn in Ray, and Arad built the first house and barn in his section.

Authorities in addition to those mentioned in the text; Willis Freeman, Esq., of Chicago, who kindly furnished abstracts of wills of Freemans of Pulborough, Sussex; Freeman Genealogy (1875); articles in *Boston Evening Transcript*, about 1913; data from family sources and from personal research.

## MISCELLANEA

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### VII. *Items from Woodbury (Conn.) Land Records*

Once again we direct the attention of genealogical students to the value of land records. Many marriages are not recorded, and there were few localities where the recorder entered the parentage of the bride and groom, hence even when a marriage is recorded, we still have to identify the wife. When the wife inherited land from her father or other relatives, the land eventually had to be sold, either by herself and her husband, or by her children if she had not disposed of it in her lifetime. Often the early deeds specify where the land came from, from

whom it was inherited. And sometimes several heirs joined in conveying, which gives us a family group identified with greater certainty than can be found in any other source except in wills and distributions of estates and occasionally in judicial records. Even when the parentage of a wife is not stated, a clue to her identity may often be obtained from a deed.

Vol. 13, p. 176. 16 Mar. 1762. Samuel Chatfield Jun<sup>r</sup> and Joanna Chatfield of Derby convey to Timothy Turril of Woodbury, 25 by 20 rods on west side of Plum Brook, bounded east on Turril's own land.

Vol. 14, p. 19. 16 Feb. 1761. Reuben Sherman, David Sherman and Daniel Sherman of Woodbury, legatees in the last will of Ichabod Sherman of Woodbury, dec'd, agree to divide land.

Vol. 14, p. 65. 23 Dec. 1760. Caleb Mallary and Jane his wife of Woodbury, Elijah Waller of Kent, and Joseph Waller and Ithiel Stone and Esther his wife of New Milford, convey to Isaac Thomlinson of Woodbury, land that belonged to Joseph Hurd of Woodbury, dec'd, lying undivided between us and the rest of the heirs of the said Hurd.

Vol. 14, p. 68. 16 May 1760. Daniel and Sarah Butler of Hartford, Robert and Mabel Ball of Bolton, Ebenezer and Abigail Lee of Farmington, Daniel and Susannah Hull of Salisbury, and Jonathan Bull of Woodbury, convey to Samuel and Zimri Moody of Woodbury.

Vol. 14, p. 76. 4 Dec. 1760. John Cressey Jun<sup>r</sup>, Clement Minor and wife Sarah, Philemon Way and wife Jane, all of Woodbury, and David Cressey of Waterbury, convey to Isaac Thomlinson land "that Did belong to Joseph Hurd Late of s<sup>d</sup> Woodbury Deceas<sup>d</sup> and Decended to us as Heirs . . . that is to say four Eighth Parts of the one half and four Twelveth Parts of one Eighth Part of the one half of the Whole Tract."

Vol. 14, p. 78. 22 Dec. 1761. Zadok Noble, Asahel Noble, Eunice Noble, and John Carrington and wife Susanna, all of New Milford, convey to Daniel Munn of Woodbury, right which "our uncle Ichabod Sherman . . . by Will . . . Gave to the Heirs of his sister Susanna Noble Late of s<sup>d</sup> New Milford Deceas<sup>d</sup>."

Vol. 14, p. 123. 12 May 1761. Joseph Judson and wife Jerusha of Woodbury, and Thomas Starr and wife Mary of Danbury, convey to Daniel Sherman of Woodbury, right in land "Which was Purchased by our Honoured Mother Emm Sherman Late of s<sup>d</sup> Woodbury Deceas<sup>d</sup>." Witnessed at Danbury by Forward Barnum and Jonathan Morehouse; at Woodbury by Nathan Judson and Mary Judson.

Vol. 14, p. 142. 7 Apr. 1757. Gamaliel, Sarah and Noah Hurlbut of New Milford, Timothy Hurlbut and Zadok and Mary Clark [Mercy Clark in signature] of Woodbury, and Ephraim

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Cass,Case

In vol.17, p.175, an abstract of the will of Ebenezer Case of Norwich, Conn., was printed. The name was spelled both Case and Cass. The latter is correct. Ebenezer Cass was born at Hampton, N.H., 17 July 1671, son of John and Martha (Philbrook) Cass. His mother married second, William Lyon of Roxbury, Mass. Ebenezer married first, at Roxbury, 13 Mar. 1689/90, Patience Draper; his second wife, Ann, is not identified. Ebenezer was one of the makers of the agreement to settle Woodstock, Conn., but did not fulfill the agreement. By his first wife, Ebenezer Cass had children: Mary, b. at Roxbury, 20 July 1691, m. at Lebanon, Conn., 22 Nov. 1710, Samuel Wright, and had Aaron, b. 29 Mar. 1713 (named in his grandfather's will) and others; Jonathan, b. at Roxbury, 1 Sept. 1693, m. 13 Nov. 1718, Prudence Williams; and Moses, who m. 23 Jan. 1717/18 Mary Haskins. Who was Eliphlet Cass who m. 10 Dec. 1736, Martha Owen, sometimes given as a son of Ebenezer? See Gen. Dict. of Maine and N.H., p.131; Bowen's History of Woodstock, 3-216; Early Lebanon, p.176.  
—W. Herbert Wood.



Sealey and wife Keziah of New Fairfield, convey to Stephen Hicok of Woodbury.

Vol. 14, p. 148. 6 Jan. 1762. Gideon Mallary and wife Olive, and Samuel Hurd and wife Ruth, of Woodbury, heirs of the estate of David Hurd of Woodbury, dec'd, convey to Peter, David and Thadeus Hurd right in the estate of our Honoured Mother Abigail Now the Wife of M<sup>r</sup> Thomas Mallary of Woodbury.

Vol. 14, p. 188. 13 Oct. 1762. John and Zalmon Tousey of Newtown convey to Arminal wife of Donald Grant, Sarah wife of Ebenezer Ford, Armarillis wife of Abel Prindle, Clark, Daniel, Amos and Mehetable, Children and Heirs of Ann wife of Daniel Baldwin, all of Newtown, and to Hannah Hooker of Norwalk, two tracts in Woodbury.

Vol. 14, p. 224. 4 Jan. 1762. Samuel Brownson, John Brownson, Ebenezer Brownson, Hezekiah and Sarah Porter, Lemuel and Bethiah Wheeler, John and Mary Leavenworth, Benjamin and Esther Galpin, Daniel and Huldah Hicok, Thomas Knowles, Eleazer Knowles, John and Anna Deming, Betty Knowles, and Mercy Knowles, all of Woodbury, convey to Timothy Hinman land that formerly belonged to Joseph Barker of Woodbury dec'd.

#### VIII. *Case of Norwich, Conn.*

Ebenezer Case of Norwich, will dated 16 Mar. 1742, named wife Ann, "Ears of my son Moses," daughter Mary Write and grandson Aron Writ, and son Jonathan Cass. Jonathan Case declined administration in a letter dated Lebanon, 16 Dec. 1763; mention made of "Mr Tracy with whom the will is lodged." The will was presented 19 Dec. 1763; notation made, "Nothing Done on this will."

Who was Ebenezer Case? Was he father of John Case who married at Norwich, 1 June 1727, Hannah Ormsby, and had six children recorded including a son named Ebenezer? What Wright was husband of Mary Case?

#### IX. *Col. David Waterbury's Orderly Book*

Among the treasures which have been deposited at the State Library, Hartford, Conn., is the Orderly Book of Col. David Waterbery (as he spelled the name), begun 3 June 1775. The book contains muster rolls which have not, we believe, appeared in print. For example, on page 13 is found the muster roll of the 8th Company of the 5th Regiment of Connecticut Troops, of which the commissioned officers were Joseph Smith, Jabez Botsford, Nathaniel Blackman Sr., and Abel Ruggles; the

Sergeants were Clement Botsford and Timothy Monson; the Corporals were Calop Stevens, Ephraim Wooster and Ezibun Barnum; Drummer, Lewis Judson; Fifers, Joseph Ruggles and Abel Clark; the Privates include such names as Philow Duning, Gideon Duning, Isaac Duning, Joseph Loring, Calup Maxfield, Elijah Moger, and Benjamin Wakley. These names sound as if this company was recruited in Fairfield County in the neighborhood of what is now Brookfield, formerly the parish of Newbury in the corners of three towns, Newtown, Danbury and New Milford.

Special items of interest are found, such as the following, on page 46: "Stamford June 2<sup>d</sup> 1781. This day came in Three Deserters belonging to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion of New Levies in the British Service stationed at Lloyd's Neck (viz) Abel Bradway of Nine Partners in the State of New York, William Thomson born at Glasgow in Scotland and Robert Abbott born at Bristol in England also Park Brown of Col. Delancey's Corps—"

### PHILIP RANDALL OF WINDSOR, CONN.

By CLARENCE ALMON TORREY, PH.B., of Dorchester, Mass.

Philip Randall, an early settler at Dorchester, Mass., removed to Windsor, Conn., where he died May 6, 1662, leaving a will, dated March 8, 1661/2, in which his wife is mentioned but not named. She died Aug. 24, 1665, *ae.* 87 years, hence born in or about 1578. Three children are mentioned in New England records. There may have been other children who died young in England.

Known children (order uncertain):

- i. Abraham, who died at Windsor, Conn., Aug. 21, 1690; married twice, but had no children; had been a member of the Dorchester church before removal to Windsor.
- ii. Philura, who married George Phelps about 1637; had issue.
- iii. Philip, buried Sept. 26, 1648, probably unmarried.

Perhaps the following marriage in the records of the parish of Allington,\* Dorset, England, refers to the Philip Randall and wife, afterward of Windsor, Conn.:

Phillippe Randole & Joane Fush, 10 Apr. 1608 (Phillimore's Dorset Parish Registers, Marriages, Vol. 2, page 94).

The children above mentioned were probably all born after 1608. If their mother was Joane Fush, she was about thirty years at marriage and this fact would seem to account, to a considerable extent, for the smallness of the Randall family.

\* See *The Planters of the Commonwealth*, by Charles Edward Banks, page 104.



## THOMAS BIRCHARD OF NORWICH, CONNECTICUT, AND SOME OF HIS DESCENDANTS

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### 8. THOMAS<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD

THOMAS<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD, born in January, 1669, at Norwich, Conn., son of John<sup>2</sup> and Christian (Andrews) Birchard; married Sept. 12, 1708, Sarah Webb, daughter of John Webb, of Saybrook, Conn.

The marriage and births of first two children are recorded at Norwich, Vol. 1, p. 65.

On Jan. 21, 1722/3, Thomas Burchard and wife Sarah, of Norwich, Conn., for £5, sold to David Burchard of same Norwich, their right to the estate of "John Webb, late of Saybrook, dee'd."

On Dec. 10, 1725, David Birchard of Norwich, Conn., sold to Lydia Webb, his right to the estate "of John Webb late of Saybrook, dee'd, which sd David might have by force and virtue on an Instrument of Conveyance under the hands and seal of Tho. Birchard and Sarah his wife of Norwich aforesd, dated 21 January 1722/3." (Land Rec. Saybrook, Conn., 3-419, 432.)

Thomas Birchard and his two brothers John and Joseph Birchard, received a gift of his lands in Norwich, from their father John Birchard, Sept. 1, 1697, the land lying at a place called Susamansuck, later called Birchard's Plain, in the present town of Franklin; the land was to be equally divided between them.

On July 14, 1708, he exchanged some lands with his brother James; James had bought his brother Joseph Birchard's rights to the land at Susamansuck, in January 1703; now in consideration of land of like value Thomas sells his brother James his rights at Susumansuck and received in exchange, James' "one third part of that which was my father John Birchard's meadow att the poplar swamp in Yantick, one third of my father's lot on forty acre hill and one third of the meadow, as by my father's record may appear" for bounds. (Land Rec. Norwich, 1-395-6.)

Thomas Birchard buys some land in 1707, 1708, 1714, and in 1725 buys land at Scotch Cap; "Scotch Cap Hill is near the point where the present bounds of Norwich, Franklin and Bozrah meet." (History of Norwich, Conn., p. 81.) He sells land frequently; in 1730, he bought more land at Scotch Cap, and sold part to Samuel Gager, Jr., who on Oct. 29, 1730, sold

to "Thomas Birchard Junr" the farm he had purchased of sd Birchard's father, of Norwich.

Jan. 28, 1733/4, Thomas Birchard and Thomas Birchard Junr both of Norwich, sold to John Birchard (indexed as John, "son of James") of Norwich, 22 acres of land at Scotch Cap; this was probably a mortgage; May 10, 1734, Thomas Birchard of Norwich, sold his rights in the common lands of Norwich, for twenty shillings, to Stephen Gardner. This is the last date noted of either Thomas on Norwich land records.

On the records of the Church of New Concord Society, of Norwich (now in the town of Bozrah) is the death in 1741, day and month not stated, of Thomas Birchard; on the same record is the death on Oct. 16, 1778, of "Old Mr Thomas Birchard."

Four children of Thomas<sup>3</sup> Birchard were baptized at the First Church of Norwich.

Children of Thomas<sup>3</sup> and Sarah (Webb) Birchard:

29. Thomas<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Oct. 7, 1709, bpt. Nov. 27, 1709. Probably the "Old Mr Thomas Birchard" who died in Bozrah, Oct. 16, 1778.
30. Sarah<sup>4</sup> Birchard, b. Apr. 11, 1712, bpt. May 18, 1712; mar. prob. June 3, 1741, James Walters; this marriage is on Bozrah Church records, and she seems to be the only possible Sarah.
31. Hannah<sup>4</sup> Birchard, b. ———; bpt. Sept. 16, 1715; perhaps the Hannah Birchard who mar. June 3, 1748, Nathaniel Collens. (Bozrah Church rec.)
32. Abigail<sup>4</sup> Birchard, b. ———, bpt. Apr. 13, 1718.

## 9. JOHN<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD

JOHN<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD, born February 1671, in Norwich, Conn., died June 30, 1735, in Lebanon, Conn., son of John<sup>2</sup> and Christian (Andrews) Birchard, mar. Dec. 30, 1708, at Lebanon, Hannah Loomis, born about 1677, in ———, died Oct. 21, 1746, "aged 69 years" (Lebanon, Conn., T. R.; Hurd's History of New London County, Conn., page 510), daughter of Deacon Joseph Loomis.

John<sup>3</sup> Birchard, with his brothers Thomas and Joseph, received by gift from their father, his lands in Norwich West Farms, on Sept. 1, 1697; he went to the new town of Lebanon, with his father, who was one of the four original proprietors of that town; on the first book of Lebanon records, is "The Record of John Birchard Junr Land Granted at Lebanon; 1st: One home lot, granted him by Capt. Samuel Mason, Capt. Benjamin Brewster, Capt. John Stanton and Mr. John Birchard, &c., March 1700. (Pages 29, 30, old paging, 63, 65, new paging.)

In 1701, John Birchard, Junr, bought more land in Lebanon, of Joseph Edgerton.

Dec. 27, 1703, "John Birchard of Lebanon," Conn., sold to Joseph Birchard, of Norwalk, Conn., one half of his right to

land at Sunamansuck, in town of Norwich. His father having died in November, 1702, John was no longer, "Junior."

He married Hannah Loomis, in 1708; on Nov. 5, 1725, John Birchard, his brother Daniel Birchard, both of Lebanon, James Birchard and Thomas Birchard, both of Norwich, Joseph Birchard of Norwalk, with their sisters, and husbands, John Calkins and wife Abigail, of Lebanon, Jonathan Hartshorn and wife Mary, and Lydia Raymond, of Norwich, all in Connecticut, sold to their "cousin" (meaning nephew) David Birchard, son of Samuel, their rights to lands in Saybrook, Conn., which had belonged to their father, John<sup>2</sup> Birchard.

According to the town record of Lebanon, John Birchard died June 30, 1735, and his wife Hannah, died Oct. 21, 1746, in her 69th year.

Child:

33. Hannah<sup>4</sup> Birchard, married Feb. 20, 1730/31, in Lebanon, John Lyman, born Jan. 10, 1711, in ———, died Feb. 12, 1781, in Lebanon, Conn., son of Richard and Mary (Woodward) Lyman. Hannah (Birchard) Lyman died June 28, 1746, a few months before her mother; she had one child, Hannah Lyman, born Dec. 29, 1732. (John Lyman married 2nd. Sept. 3, 1747, Mary Strong.) Hannah Lyman mar. Oct. 31, 1751, Samuel Bailey.

Lyman Genealogy, by Lyman Coleman, D.D., (1872.) pp. 87, 111.  
Loomis Genealogy.

## 10. JOSEPH<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD

JOSEPH<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD, born in February, 1673, in Norwich, Conn., died Meh. 9, 1755, in Norwalk, Wilton Parish, Conn., son of John<sup>2</sup> and Christian (Andrews) Birchard, of Norwich, Conn., mar. June 29, 1710, in Norwalk, Wilton Parish, Fairfield Co., Conn., Elizabeth Lambert, born ab't 1687-8, in Milford, Conn., died Nov. 4, 1755, in Wilton Parish, Norwalk, daughter of Jesse and Deborah (Fowler) Lambert, of Milford, Conn.

On Sept. 1, 1697, Joseph Birchard and his brothers Thomas and John, received a gift of land from their father, of his lands in Norwich, West Farms (now Franklin), Conn.; each to have an equal share.

March 14, 1701, he had certain lands recorded to him in the new town of Lebanon, Conn., of which his father was one of the four original proprietors (Lebanon Land Rec. 1-40, 85).

Jan. 9, 1702/3, Joseph Birchard "of Norwich," "in consideration of the one half of an allotment or halfe a one Thousand acre right at the ponde-place within the township of Windham conveyed to me by my brother James Birchard of same Norwich," conveyed to sd James "all my six acres of land where his house now stands," bounded northerly on John Birchard's. (Land Rec. Norwich, Conn., 2B-546.)

Jan. 8, 1703/4,\* he, then in Norwich, sells to Ensign Thomas Leffingwell, "one half of the 3rd Division lot, which was my honored father, John Birchard's, at Sunamansuck."

Dec. 27, 1703, then of Norwalk, County Fairfield, Conn., he bought of his brother John Birchard of Lebanon, Conn., half of John's right of land at Sunamansuck, containing fifty acres (1-110).

June 10, 1706, Joseph Birchard of Norwalk, sold certain division of land not yet laid out, forty acres, to John Betts of same Norwalk, Conn. (1-219).

1707/8, Feb. 28, he sold to Ebenezer Metcalf of Norwich, all his rights to any undivided lands in and throughout the township of Norwich (1-376), and then appears no more on Norwich land records.

Just what consideration moved Joseph Birchard to go to Norwalk, is uncertain; a Rockwell family lived at Norwich, Conn., and a Joseph Rockwell appears in Norwalk, with whom Birchard had land transactions. On April 3, 1704, when he purchased land in Norwalk, he is called "of Norwalk"; he purchased other lands on April 19, same year; on Feb. 25, 1705, when the "Draught of the several allottments in the Division of Rhoton commonage and ye Islands" was made, "at Rhoton Below or Southward of the road to Stanford," Joseph Birchard received a share.

At a meeting of the General Assembly of Connecticut, held May 1706, "Vpon the petition of John Beldin, Ralph Keeler, John Keeler, Daniel Betts, John Whitne senr, Joseph Birchard, John Whitney Jr and John Copp, inhabitants of the towne of Norwalk, in the behalfe of the rest, this Court doth appoint Capt. Jonathan Sellick, Lieut. David Waterbury and Mr John Copp, to view a tract of land, bounded south upon Norwalk bounds, northeast upon Danbury, and west by York line, and to make an estimation of the quantitie thereof with the breadth of it from the line between the bounds of Newyork and this Colonie, and make return to this Court, at the charge of the said petitioners, in October, next." (Public Rec. Colony of Connecticut, 4-537.)

Wilton Parish was afterwards included in these bounds. The record of Joseph Birchard's lands in Norwalk, Conn., was entered January 16, 1707 (Land Rec. Norwalk, Conn., 3-39), and included nine parcels, in various parts of the town; viz: at Pimperwalk; east of the Huckleberry Hills; more at Pimperwalk; some at Pimperwalk Playne; on east side of the East Branch of Norwalk River; two more parcels at pimperwalk; and twelve acres on the salt pond.

Nov. 5, 1725, he joined in the deed of sale with his brothers

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\* This deed was not dated, but acknowledged in Norwich, Jan. 8, 1703/4.

James and Thomas Birchard, of Norwich, Conn.; John and Daniel Birchard, of Lebanon, Conn.; and sisters Abigail, wife of John Calkins, of Lebanon, Mary, wife of Jonathan Hartshorn, and Lydia, widow of Samuel Raymond, of Norwich, to "our cousin David Birchard" (meaning nephew, son of their brother Samuel) of lands which had belonged to their father John<sup>2</sup> Birchard. (Land Rec. Saybrook, Conn., 3-343.)

In volume 4, pages 46 and 47, of Norwalk Land Records, are plats of some of the Birchard lands, and the record says, "Pursuant to an Act or Vote of ye Proprietors of Norwalk at a meeting held March 16, 1723/4, upon the request of Joseph Birchard of Norwalk" they "artificially surveyed" for him the several tracts of land hereafter mentioned viz: the Homestead Tract lying in Wilton Parrish in said Norwalk on the East Side and Adjoining to Danbury Road, also another tract on the west Side of and adjoining sd road, and another tract adjoining the southwesterly corner of the last mentioned tract lying at a place called by the name of ye West Burroughs Plain. The Platts here inserted Describe the several courses and distances. Performed December 31, 1726.

Another tract "in Wilton Parish near and northerly of the Meeting house in sd Parish" is described and "said parcel of Land is Comonly called and known as Birchards Upper Field."

With Mr. Thomas Fitch, Joseph Birchard represented the town of Norwalk at the General Assembly of Connecticut, May 1730, and again in May 1734. (Col. Rec. Conn., 7-267, 482.)

In the first instance, the name is spelled "Burchard" and the second, "Birchard."

Following his father's example, he appears to have given his sons their lands in his lifetime, and no record of a will or settlement of his estate has so far been noted.

On May 16, 1743, he deeded to "son John Birchard," both of Norwalk, Conn., land in Wilton Parish in Norwalk, sd land bounded easterly by the country road, southerly by sd Joseph Birchard's own land, westerly by the Mill River, and the record adds that "it is the land whereon said John Birchard hath built his house."

June 4, 1750, he deeds to son Daniel Birchard, land in Wilton Parish, and on April 29, deeds to "son James Birchard," twenty-seven acres of land at Beldens Hill, and one fifth of "my salt meadow at Oystershell Point."

On November 20, 1753, he sold some land to Benjamin Betts, the land being bounded by that owned by James Birchard, Daniel Birchard and Zebulon Birchard.

The last sale made by him was on October 14, 1754, when he conveyed a parcel of land to his son Daniel Birchard; he died on March 9, 1755 on which date the church record notes the death of "Joseph Burchard aged about 81 years;" the same

record has also the death on November 4, 1755, of "Widow Elizabeth Burchard aged about 68 or 69 years."

Hinman says that Joseph Birchard of the town of Norwalk, in 1709, with others was granted liberty to dam the creek, in Norwalk, and the stream that runs into the creek, if he and the others should erect a grist mill at the dam within one year, and finish the said mill within three years. (Early Puritan Settlers of Connecticut, Vol. 1, pp. 22, 23.)

The vital records of Norwalk, Conn., are very meagre, and the record of Joseph<sup>3</sup> Birchard and his family is obtained from the land records and the records of the Church of Wilton Parish in Norwalk, which is now the town of Wilton.

"An account of the members communicants of said Church at the Ordination of Mr. Gaylor" (which took place February 13, 1732/3) under date of 1733, has the names of "Joseph Burchard and Elizabeth his wife."

A family record is given of some of the parishioners, the older ones, and one of the families given is that of Joseph Birchard.

"Joseph Burchard of Norwalk and Elisabeth Lambert from Milford was married the 29 day of June 1710." (Page 35)

The births of ten children are given, but the name of son Joseph is omitted, so the list was made after December 8, 1733. The full list of his family is given in "An Account of the names and of the number of all the Inhabitants of this Parish at the time of my Ordination young and old."

Joseph Burchard and wife Elizabeth and children Joseph, John, Jesse, James, Daniel, Isaiah, Zebulon, Grace, Elizabeth, Abigail, Deborah.

Children of Joseph<sup>3</sup> and Elizabeth (Lambert) Birchard:

(All born in Wilton Parish, formerly part of Norwalk, Conn., but made a separate town called Wilton, in May, 1802.)

34. Grace<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Apr. 29, 1711; mar. Jan. 31, 1739/40, John Eglestone.

"John Eglestone (a Stranger) and Grace Burchard of this Parish." (Church record, Wilton Parish; see Bailey's Early Connecticut Marriages, Vol. 3, Wilton, page 65.)

Joseph<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born in 1711; presumably a twin of Grace, as the church record has on list of deaths, December 8, 1733, "Joseph Burchard, son of Joseph, aged 22 yrs."

35. Elizabeth<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Aug. 26, 1712, mar. July 4, 1739, Samuel Keeler. (*Ibid*, 3-68.) Their son Samuel Keeler was baptized July 13, 1741.

36. John<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Aug. 2, 1714, mar. February 4, 1745/6, (Early Conn. Mar. 363) Sarah Patchen; (she may have been the Sarah Patchen, born in Fairfield, Conn., Mch. 29, 1726, dau. of Joseph and Margaret Patchen.)

On May 16, 1743, John Birchard received from his father, a deed of five acres of land in Norwalk, in Wilton Parish, said land bounded by land of Benjamin Betts, easterly by the country road, southerly by land of the father, Joseph Birchard, and westerly by the Mill River, and the land is further described as



that "whereon said John Birchard hath built his house." (Land Rec. Norwalk, Conn., 9-539.)

June 8, 1757, John Birchard sold to Joseph Niles, a small piece of land "near Kent" in Wilton Parish, with one half of the grist-mill. (*Ibid*, 11-283.)

He had children, Sarah, bpt. Feb. 15, 1747, John, Joseph, Abigail.

The following deed would seem to relate to him. Jan. 25, 1785, John Burchard, Jesse Burchard, Joseph Burchard, Moses Burchard, Benjamin Ayres and wife Sarah, and Rebecca Burchard, all of Norwalk, Conn., "being the heirs of John Burchard late of Ballston Decd" sold to Samuel Middlebrook, of Norwalk, Conn., "land within a Certain tract being called Kayadaroserers and being part of lot No. 9 within the general Allotment No. 13 of sd Patent that is to say the northerly part of lot No. 6 in subdivision of No. 9 within the general allotment of No. 13, containing one hundred acres." (Land Rec. Norwalk, Conn., 16-36.) This is an unusual instance of the record of a sale of land in New York state recorded in Connecticut.

Jesse<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Meh. 2, 1716, died July —, 1733. "July —, 1733, Jesse, son of Joseph Burchard aged —" (Wilton Parish, Church records).

37. James<sup>5</sup> Birchard, born Oct. 11, 1717, mar. 1st, Oct. 26, 1751, Wait Gregory, born Apr. 25, 1722, died Aug. 20, 1758, dau. of Jachin and Wait Gregory, of Norwalk, Conn. The marriage is on the records of the Wilton Parish Church, as is also the death, Aug. 20, 1758, of "Wait, wife of James Burchard, aged about 36 years."

They had a daughter Wait Birchard, baptized Apr. 15, 1752, died July 19, 1753. James and wife Wait were admitted to the church July 29, 1752.

James Birchard mar. 2nd, Dec. 10, 1761, Betty (St. John) Lockwood, born about 1721, died Aug. 15, 1804, aged 83, dau. of Jacob and Experience (Read) St. John. This Betty is mentioned in her father's will dated Sept. 10, 1777 (Prob. Rec. Fairfield, Conn., 19-195).

The marriage is found on the church record Wilton Parish as "James Burchard of this Place and ye widow Lockwood of this Town," Dec. 10, 1761; see also Early Conn. Mar. 3-62. He died May 9, 1801, aged 84 years. (St. John Genealogy, pp. 48, 49.) Their daughter, Elizabeth, mar. Benoni St. John.

38. Daniel<sup>6</sup> Birchard, born Dec. 6, 1719, mar. Aug. 18, 1742/3, Dorothy Stuart, "both of this Parish" according to the church record. (See also Early Conn. Mar. 3-63.) He received a gift of land in Wilton Parish from his father, June 4, 1750, and other parcels at various times, the last being on Oct. 14, 1754. He and wife Dorothy were admitted to the Wilton Parish church, Nov. 8, 1744; he lived for a short time about 1766-1768, in Cortland Manor, Westchester Co., N. Y., but returned to Norwalk; had children, Elizabeth, Joseph, Hannah, Samuel, Esther, Daniel, Dorothy and Stephen, perhaps others.
39. Abigail<sup>7</sup> Birchard, born July 10, 1721, mar. Meh. 7, 1744/5, Elias Betts, and had 12 children.
40. Isaiah<sup>8</sup> Birchard, born Meh. 15, 1723, mar. Aug. 27, 1745, in Wilton Parish, Norwalk, Conn., Sarah Betts; he moved to Ridgefield, Conn., where he was appointed lieutenant in the 2nd or North Company, October 1763. (Col. Rec. Conn., XII-193.) He had Phebe and Jeremiah.

41. Zebulon<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Sept. 7, 1724, bought and sold land with his brothers James and Daniel Birchard. Was living in Norwalk, Conn., December 31, 1753, but moved to Bedford, Westchester County, New York, before June 1754.
42. Deborah<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Feb. 15, 1727/8, mar. Nov. 18, 1756, Ichabod Doolittle, perhaps the son of Capt. Joseph and 2nd wife Elizabeth (Holt) Doolittle, born August 21, 1732 (History of Wallingford, Conn., page 728).  
The Wilton Church record has "Ichabod Doolittle and Debraah Burchard married November 18, 1756.  
Finias their son born September 7, 1757."

### 11. MARY<sup>3</sup> (BIRCHARD) HARTSHORN

MARY<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD, born "in June 1677" in Norwich, Conn., died (after 1758), was the thirteenth child of John<sup>2</sup> and Christian (Andrews) Birchard. She married August 15, 1700, in Norwich, Jonathan Hartshorn, born in Haverhill, Mass., May 14, 1677, died 1751, in Norwich West Farms (now Franklin), Conn., son of John and Ruth (Swan) Hartshorn.\*

This marriage and births of their children are recorded in Vital Rec. Norwich, Conn., Vol. 1, page 76.

The will of Jonathan Hartshorn, "of Norwich," dated Nov. 20, 1750, was proved Nov. 20, 1751; he mentions his wife Mary, eldest son John, son Jonathan, eldest daughter Mary, daughters Abigail, Ruth, Hannah, Zerviah. Son Jonathan Hartshorn, Junr, and Ephraim Kingsbury, executors. (Prob. Rec. Norwich, Conn., 1-161.)

Mary Hartshorn, the widow, gave a receipt for her share, dated "Norwich, April 11, 1758."

#### Children:

- Mary<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn, b. June 1701.
- Abigail<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn, b. Feb. 1, 1704/5; mar. Jan. 5, 1726, Timothy Ayre.
- Ruth<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn, b. May 12, 1706; mar. Dec. 1725, Matthew Birchard, her cousin.
- Hannah<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn, b. Dec. 12, 1709; mar. Dec. 29, 1730, Samuel Ladd, of Haverhill, Mass.
- Lydia<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn, b. Apr. 12, 1711; died Dec. 9, 1726.
- John<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn b. Nov. 19, 1715; he was living in 1750.
- Jonathan<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn, b. Oct. 25, 1717; mar. Jan. 2, 1743/4, Abigail Leonard, of Norton, Mass.
- Zerviah<sup>4</sup> Hartshorn, b. Jan. 27, 1719/20.

### 12. DANIEL<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD

DANIEL<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD, born November 1680, in Norwich, Conn., died after Aug. 14, 1765, in Mansfield, Conn., son of John<sup>2</sup> Birchard, by second wife, Jane (Lee) Hyde, married about 1721, in Lebanon, Conn., Elizabeth Thomas, who died after Aug. 14, 1765, probably in Mansfield, Conn.

\* The birth and parentage of Jonathan Hartshorn were not given by Mrs. Rogers, and have been added by the editor.—D. L. J.

In 1693, John Birchard of Norwich, Conn., gave lands in Windham, Conn., to his older sons, Samuel and James Birchard; on Sept. 1, 1697, he gave lands in Norwich, to his next three sons, Thomas, John and Joseph. On Jan. 26, 1698, John Birchard with his wife Jane Birchard, "in consideration of the natural love Goodwill and parental affection that we have & bear unto our Natural & well beloved son Daniel Birchard," deeded to Daniel one allotment in the new township of Lebanon, Conn., consisting of a home lot, "also all other divisions of upland meadow or pasture land with the commonage unto ye sd homelott belonging." (Land Rec. Lebanon, Conn., Vol. 1, page 100 of the old paging; page 203 of the new paging.)

Daniel<sup>3</sup> Birchard was not then of age, being only eighteen; his father died Nov. 17, 1702, in Lebanon, and the deed was recorded Dec. 24, 1702.

In January 1717, Daniel had laid out for him by the committee, 138 acres in the reserved land, in the third division.

A study of the land records of Lebanon, Windham and Mansfield, Conn., proves this Daniel to have lived in Lebanon, till February 1742, in Windham, Conn., till after Meh. 25, 1758, and then in Mansfield, Conn., where he was living August 14, 1765.

A summary of the records may be given thus:

- 1698, Jan. 26. Daniel Birchard received gift of a home lot and its appurtenances, in Lebanon, Conn., from his father and mother.
- 1708, May 20. He sold his second division land in Lebanon, to his brother John Birchard.
- 1716/17, Jan. 2. 138 acres of his father's "200 acre Reserve" in Lebanon, was laid out to him by the proprietors.
- 1720 or 1721, married Elizabeth Thomas.
- 1723, Meh. 13. He sold the 138 acres to Mackall.
- 1740/41, Jan. 14. He sold his whole right in the Rampasture.
- 1741/2, Feb. 26. He sold his home lot with first and fifth divisions to Nathan Bushnell, in exchange with Bushnell for land lying partly in Lebanon & partly in Windham.
- 1754, Apr. 2. He, then "of Windham," sold to Silas Newcomb, 10 acres of the land "in the most westerly corner of the land I bought of Nathan Bushnell."
- 1755, Meh. 25. He, "of Windham," sold to Zephaniah Swift, all his right in the undivided lands streets and lanes in the Five Mile propriety in Lebanon.
- 1760, June 23. Daniel Birchard of Mansfield, Conn., sold to Samuel Murdock, "in consideration of £130 paid to my well beloved son Samuel Birchard of said Windham, as his advance portion of my estate," 60 acres of land partly in Windham and partly in Lebanon.

Same day. He sold to Timothy and Samuel Clark, 42 acres of land, "beginning at the corner of the land Capt. Murdock this day purchased of me."

This seems to be the last record of him in Lebanon, Conn.; on exchanging lands with Nathan Bushnell, he went to live in Windham, Conn., in 1742, and it was while living in this town that he was visited by Joshua Hempstead.

1742. He went to Windham.

1754, Apr. 2. "of Windham," see above.

1755, Mch. 25. "of Windham," see above.

1758, Apr. 27. He, then "of Windham," buys land in Mansfield, Conn., "in ye Crotch of ye River," from Elkanah Sprague.

1760, June 23. "of Mansfield," see above.

1761, Aug. 26. He, then of Mansfield, sold for £300, "to my son Joseph Birchard of same Mansfield," parcel of land which "is the same and the whole of that land & buildings which sd Birchard bought of Elkanah Sprague, as per deed dated April 27, 1758."

Same date. Joseph Birchard of Mansfield mortgaged this place to his father Daniel Birchard for the faithful performance of certain duties. "If sd Joseph Birchard shall do well and from time to time and at all times from and after the date of these presents for and during the natural lives of the said Daniel Birchard the said father, and also Elizabeth Birchard mother to sd Joseph, also for and during the natural life of Daniel Birchard Junr, brother to ye said Joseph, with what assistance ye said Daniel Birchard Junr may be able notwithstanding his great impotency to afford him, find and provide a comfortable support and maintenance," including a suitable riding beast, etc.

1765, Aug. 14. Daniel Birchard of Mansfield, "absolutely" remises, releases to well beloved son Joseph Birchard, the whole of the farm and buildings "which I by my deed of warranty conveyed to my sd son Joseph, and which my said son Joseph mortgaged back to me for the support and maintenance of me the sd Daniel and my wife Elizabeth and my son Daniel Birchard Junr for and during the full term of each and every of the natural lives of said Daniel, Elizabeth and Daniel Junr."

1765, Aug. 14. Same day Joseph received the deed from his father, he sold one quarter of an acre of it to Daniel Baldwin; the parcel is described as "on the westerly side of the farm on which I now dwell in the Crotch of the River—bounded westerly on Natchaug River about 30 rods above the confluence of Natchaug and Mount Hope Rivers." (This locates the Birchard farm finely.)

Same date as above. Joseph Birchard conveyed the premises for £150, to John King, his brother-in-law; "the whole of that farm which my Honored Father Daniel Birchard of Mansfield, bought of Elkanah Sprague"—all but "one quarter of an acre on westerly side of the farm."

Same day. John King mortgages to "Father-in Law Daniel Birchard of Mansfield, the whole of that farm which I by deed of even date purchased of my brother-in-law Joseph Birchard of Mansfield, with the buildings, &c."; and King agrees to provide for Daniel, his wife Elizabeth and son Daniel Birchard, Junr, the same as agreed upon by Joseph Birchard.

Daniel Birchard was now eighty-five years old; how much longer he lived, is not yet learned, nor is the date of his wife's death known; the son Daniel Junr died August 18, 1809, aged 87 years.

Children of Daniel<sup>3</sup> and Elizabeth (Thomas) Birchard, born in Lebanon, Conn., and recorded there on town records.

43. Daniel<sup>4</sup> Birchard, born Dec. 13, 1722; died in Mansfield, Conn., Aug. 18, 1809, aged 87 years,\* according to the old record book of Deacon John King. At a Court of Probate, held Windham, Conn., 4 May 1803, pursuant to an order of the Court, the estate of John King was sold, subject to a mortgage deed for the future support of Mr Daniel Birchard, "&c."
44. Samuel<sup>4</sup> Birchard, b. Jan. 4, 1724/5; was living in Windham, Conn., in June 1760.
45. Elizabeth<sup>4</sup> Birchard, b. Aug. 15, 1726, mar. July 6, 1760, at Norwich, Conn., John King, who died March 7, 1799, aged 95 years; she died May 16, 1775.
46. Joseph<sup>4</sup> Birchard, b. June 3, 1734; was living in Mansfield, Conn., in August, 1765.
47. Lydia<sup>4</sup> Birchard, b. Jan. 28, 1736/7; no further record.

### 13. LYDIA<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD

LYDIA<sup>3</sup> BIRCHARD was born ———, died ———, married March 6, 1716/17, Samuel Raymond, born ———, died about 1724 or 1725, in Norwich, Conn.,<sup>1</sup> son of Daniel<sup>2</sup> and second wife, Rebecca (Lay) Raymond.

The record of their marriage as given on the Vital Records of Norwich, Conn., is as follows:

"Samuel Raymond of Norwich & Lydia Birchard of Lebanon were Married together March 6<sup>th</sup> 1716/17, as appears by Certificate from the Church Records in Lebanon.

Samuel the Son of Samuel Raymond and of Lydia his wife was Born December 25<sup>th</sup> 1720."

\* Records of First Church of Mansfield, Conn., by Dimock, say "Daniel Birchard died August 19, 1809, aged 88, of old age."

(Vital Records of Norwich, Conn., 1-163; the marriage is also given in Bailey's "Early Connecticut Marriages," Vol. 2, Lebanon, page 38.)

It has been said in the record of John Birchard, that there is good reason for believing that Daniel and Lydia Birchard were children of John<sup>2</sup> Birchard by his second wife, Jane (Lee) Hyde. These reasons are as follows. At the time of her marriage, she is called "of Lebanon"; the widow Jane Birchard was living in Lebanon then, also John Birchard, who married in 1708, Hannah Loomis; and Daniel Birchard who married in 1720, Elizabeth Thomas; so Lydia could not have been the daughter of either John<sup>3</sup> or Daniel<sup>3</sup>.

Joseph<sup>3</sup> Birchard married in Norwalk or vicinity, in 1710, Elizabeth Lambert; James<sup>3</sup> Birchard married in March 1695/6, Elizabeth Beckwith, but he had no daughter Lydia, as is proved by the distribution of his son Jonah<sup>4</sup> Birchard's estate in 1790, recorded Norwich, Conn., Probate Records, Vol. 8, page 304.

Thomas<sup>3</sup> Birchard married in 1708, Sarah Webb; Samuel<sup>3</sup> Birchard, the only remaining son of John<sup>2</sup> and Christian (Andrews) Birchard, married before 1697, Ann Caulkins, but had no daughter Lydia, as proved by the land records of Coventry, Conn.; see his record.

David<sup>4</sup> Birchard bought out the rights of his brothers and sisters in their father Samuel<sup>3</sup> Birchard's estate; on Nov. 5, 1725, James Birchard, and Thomas Birchard, both of Norwich, Conn., John Birchard and Daniel Birchard, both of Lebanon, Conn., Joseph Birchard, of Norwalk, Conn., John Calkins and wife Abigail, of Lebanon, Conn., Jonathan Hartshorn and wife Mary, and "Lydia Rayment" all of Norwich, for good reasons, "especially for love good-will" to "our cousin David Birchard of Norwich," Conn., quitclaimed all right to certain lands in Saybrook, Conn. (Land Rec. Saybrook, Conn., 3-343.)

On Dec. 10, 1725, David Birchard of Norwich, sold to Lieut. Nathaniel Pratt of Saybrook, Conn., "all right to any lands in Potopauge Quarter that have heretofore been laid out upon a 100 acre right in sd Quarter—which Right did belong to my Honored Grandfather John Burchard, late of Lebanon, dee'd" (*Ibid.*, 3-423). He sold another parcel on Dec. 11, 1725, to James Lord, of Saybrook, again specifying that it was land "which did belong to my honored grandfather John Birchard, late of Lebanon, dee'd."

Jane (Lee) (Hyde) Birchard was aunt to Joshua Hempstead of New London, Conn.; in his diary he writes under date of Nov. 20, 1721, "I went to Norwich . . . . Tues 21 I went to windham to get Ann Whitings Evidence to mr Adams's Bond yn went to see Uncle Larabee & yn down to Lebanon . . . . Wed. 22 went to see Aunt Birchard & lodged at Cuz. Samll Hide at night." (Page 116.)



Mr. Hempstead was very particular about noting relationship; compare the way in which he speaks of "James Birchard" and "Cuz. Daniel Birchard" and "Cuz. Lydia Raymond".

1743/4, Feb. 20. Monday; In the foren I went . . . . . Norwich Landing. aftn at Court also Tuesd 21 & wednsd 22d. . . . . Thursd 23 . . . . . I went with Cuzn Wm Hide & Brother Edgecumbe to Cuzn Jabez Hides & to see Cuzn Phebe Peck & Thos Hide & James Birchard & Doctor Rogers. (Page 422.)

1745 June 3, Mond . . . . . aftn I went to Norwich. . . . . Tuesd 4 fair & very hot. In the morning I went to Cuz Jabez Hides to brfast from Brother Edgecumbs & yn Cuz Hide Rid with me to Mr Wells's . . . . . wee went to visit old James Birchard and Cuz Lydia & Doctor Rogers &c. (Page 443.)

1751/2, March 18, Wednesday. I Set out for Windham Court . . . . . I oated at Hau(—)tons & Dined & oated again att Cuzn Wm Hides Elisha & then Rid up the Town. . . . . I Stopt a While with Cuzn Lydia Raymond & then att Rudds & then 2 mile further att Haskins but he had no hay & I Stood along a little farther to Deacon Jos Kingsburys & Lodged there. Thursd 19 fair & cold. I got up to Windham before Court Sat. (Page 585.)

1752, Sept. 19, Tues. afternoon I Set out for Windham Supr Court . . . . . I (—) a while at Norwich to Refresh & went up to my kinsmans Thos Hide's & Lodged there Wednsd 20 fair I got to Windham before the Court Sat . . . . . Thursd 21 fair. I was att Court Most of the Day . . . . . fryd 22 fair I was att Court most of the day . . . . . Saturd 23d fair & hot. Set out for home about 10 Clock. went (—) Cuz. Daniel Birehards last night & again this morning & Rid over to Lebanon Crank Society to get Jenny Grant Pocket Book found in Groton . . . . . ye 18 of August Last. (Page 595.)

It is surely not by accident that Joshua Hempstead thus speaks twice of "James Birchard" and "old James Birchard;" in the latter case, he states he went "to visit old James Birchard and Cuz Lydia."

These two were both living in the present town of Franklin, Conn.; in 1752, when he went to see "Cuzn Daniel Birchard," Daniel was living in Windham, Conn.; see Daniel's record.

Samuel Raymond died probably in the fall of 1724 or early in 1725, as at a Court of Probate held on February 18, 1724/5, administration on the estate of Samuel Raymond, late of Norwich, deceased, was granted to Jabez Hide, the widow declining to act. An inventory was exhibited at a Court April 14, 1725.

The same day Jabez Hide was appointed administrator, and gave bonds with Daniel Hyde as Surety.

On December 14, 1725, Jabez Hyde exhibited his account of expenses in bringing up the *children*, the amount being £41-14-00.

At a Court of Probate held June 10, 1735, Samuel Raymond

of Norwich, son of Samuel Raymond, chose Mr Jacob\* Hyde of Norwich as his guardian, and Daniel Raymond of Norwich, son of Samuel, chose Mr. Francis Smith of Norwich as his guardian. (Prob. Journal, New London, Conn., 3-3.)

Note that it was the Hydes whom Lydia (Birchard) Raymond had as assistants in settling the estate.

Children of Samuel and Lydia (Birchard) Raymond:

Samuel<sup>4</sup> Raymond, born Dec. 25, 1720, in Norwich, Conn., mar. there, Nov. 10, 1743, Lucy Story, born Oct. 16, 1723, in Norwich, daughter of Deacon Samuel and Mary (Burnam) Story; they had Lydia, Samuel, Daniel, 2nd Samuel, Abel and a 3rd Samuel.  
Daniel<sup>4</sup> Raymond, born in Norwich, Conn.

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167. BEACH-PRATT. Wanted: Proof of the marriage of ZOPHAR Beach, son of Thomas, to Martha Pratt. Zophar was b. at Milford, Conn., May 27, 1662. Who were Martha's parents?

—F. B. S.

168. ELDREDGE. Wanted: Proof of parentage of Frances Jane Eldredge, born in Solon, Cortland Co., New York, Feb. 28, 1838.—S. R.

169. WILSON. Wanted: Parentage of George Follett Wilson, born 1805, probably in Berkshire Co., Mass., and a medical student there. Removed from Milo, Yates Co., N. Y., to Bethania, N. C., where he m. June 21, 1829 Henrietta Hauser.

—M. W. H.

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\* Jabez?

## ANSWERS

81. (b) WILLIAMS. Charles Williams m. Elizabeth Weeks, Marlborough, Mass., Jan. 11, 1686. (N. E. H. G. R., I, p. 559.) William Weeks, of Enfield, 1690, leaves property to "Elizabeth, wife of Charles Williams, kinswoman." Elizabeth d. Colchester, Conn., Sept. 13, 1725 (p. 110 Colchester records). Charles Williams, of Worcester, Hadley and Colchester: will printed in Hartford Probate abstracts. Elizabeth, his daughter, born Feb. 13, 1702; d. Apr. 1, 1762.

81. (f) ROGERS. Book 1, p. 256, Norwich, Vt., V. R., shows:—John Rogers m. Sarah, Sept. 20, 1764. Children:—Temperance, b. Sept. 22, 1768; Zenas, b. July 8, 1770; Sarah, b. Apr. 19, 1780; d. Nov. 5, 1780; Sarah, b. Sept. 4, 1781; John Paten, b. Oct. 16, 1785. Bible record of Zenas, seen in house of a descendant, shows the above and also this: "Temperance Bliss, alias Rogers, died March 1813, aged 44 years."—*E. B. H.*

168. ELDREDGE. The 1850 Census for Cincinnati, Cortland Co., N. Y. (p. 211) shows Lyman Eldredge, aged 46, physician, born Conn.; Adelphia, 41, b. Mass.; three children Hellen, 18; Harriette, 15, and Frances, 12, all b. N. Y. The 1840 Census shows Lyman Eldredge a resident of Cincinnati at that date.—*P. M. S.*

169. WILSON. According to the 1850 Census of Bethania District, Forsyth Co., N. C., (p. 268), George F. Wilson, aged 45, Physician, was born in New York State.—*P. M. S.*

## QUERIES WITH REWARDS

ELDREDGE. Wanted: Proof of parentage of Samuel Eldredge born in Willington, Conn. about 1750. \$5.00 for proof of parentage.—*S. Russell, 397 Marshall Ave., St. Paul, Minn.*

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Mariges

Benten, Ebenezer s. Daniel of Guilford Deceased

Graue, Abigal both of Guilford married 14 June 1694

Thomson, John s. Ebenezer deceased married 23 Apr. 1702

Whedon, hanah of branford By m<sup>r</sup> Russell of branford minister

Eueris, Benjamin	both of	married 21 Jan. 1707/8
Jones, hannah	gilford	By Cap <sup>t</sup> fouler Justis
Critendon, John	both of	married 6 May 1703
Johnson, bashuah	gilford	By M <sup>r</sup> . Ruggles minister
doud, Connelius	both of	married 4 Feb. 1706/7
hand, Jane	gilford	By Justis Buill at Kilinswor[th]
Hand, stephen of	gilford	married 16 Nov 1708
Pierson, sarah of	Kelinsworth	By Justis bewill of Kennilswor[th]
hubbard, ebenezor	both of	married 11 Mar. 1707/8
Lord, Elezabeth	gilford	By Cap <sup>t</sup> . Abraham fouler
Rosseter, samuell	both of	married 10 Feb. 1708/9
Ward, Anna	gilford	By Josiah Rosseter Asistn <sup>t</sup>
stone, daniell of	gilford	married 21 Jan. 1707/8
talmeg, Elezabet of	newhauen	By mr John allin Asistant <sup>t</sup>
bartlet, daniell of	gilford	married 8 Oct. 1707
Lord, susannah of	saybrook	By m <sup>r</sup> daniell tayler Justis
doud, Thomas Jun <sup>r</sup> of	gilford	married 8 Nov. 1705
Euerts, silene of	gilford	By M <sup>r</sup> Ruggls minister
burgiss, [T]homas	both of	married 8 Aug. 1707
wright, mercy	gilford	By cap <sup>t</sup> samuell Eales Just[is]
Bishop, [Nath]aniell	both of	married 16 July 1692
hall, mary	gilford	By m <sup>r</sup> Andrew Leete Asistant
Euerts, [J]udah	both of	married 5 Sep. [1706]
Eglestone, mary	gilford	By Cap <sup>t</sup> Abraham fouler Just[is]
hall, [Wi]lliam	both of	married 20 Oct. 1715
chitenden Lidiah	gilford	By m <sup>r</sup> . Ruggls minnister

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the Record of the Children of Jams Hill  
births

hill, sarah da Jams & sarah	b. 24 Aug. 1683
Hill, Jsack s. Jams & sarah	b. 5 Sep. 1685
Jams s. Jams & sarah	b. 11 Feb. 1687/8
Ann da. Jams & sarah	b. 4 Mar. 1689/90
daniell s. Jams & sarah	b. 8 June 1692
John s. Jams & sarah	b. 18 Dec. 1694
Charity da. Jams & sarah	b. 4 Mar. 1696/7
Mychaell s. Jams & sarah	b. 22 Oct. 1698
Mary da. Jams & sarah	b. 2 Mar. 1700/1
Eliot, Jared s. Reuerent M <sup>r</sup> . Joseph of gilford	b. 7 Nov. 1685

## Births

bartlet, Moses s. william & hannah	b. 8 Feb. 1707/8
Mary da william & hannah	b. 8 Mar. 1710/11

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